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SUMMARY.

Mr. Asquith moved at a meeting of the National Liberal Federation a resolution affirming that Mr. Chamberlain's scheme would endanger the relations with the colonies, and threaten the stability of the Empire.

He protested against the rusty blunderbuss of rebellion sought to be used by Mr. Chamberlain.

The motion was adopted as was also a second resolution calling upon the Government to declare its fiscal policy.

Mr. Balfour stated in the House of Commons that he could not say when the fiscal inquiry would be completed, but he could give the assurance that there was no probability of any dislocation of trade.

The Council of the Colonial Institute has unanimously and heartily concurred in the suggestion that the Imperial fiscal relations should be thoroughly examined.

A Bulgarian Note to the Powers blames Turkey for thwarting the Bulgarian efforts to pacify the Macedonians, and accuses the troops and Bashi-Bazouks of shocking crimes and excesses.

The Note also urges the Powers to secure the withdrawal of Turkish troops menacingly concentrated on the frontier, and to insist on the execution of reforms.

In replying to the Note Austria promises to make representations to the Porte.

In consequence of Bulgaria's threatening attitude the Turks have occupied three strategic positions in Kosovo, Monastir, and Adrianople for base operations.

Captain Johnston-Stewart, the last of Colonel Plunkett's officers alive, when wounded in seven places shot with a revolver four of the enemy. A Somali then killed him.

The Mullah flayed the Somali alive, being disappointed at not capturing a British officer alive.

Some of the Powers have warned Chang-chih-tung, in reference to the basis of payment of the indemnity, that they will take strong measures to compel China to adhere to the protocol.

In the event of non-compliance the Powers contemplate the seizure of the salt gabelle or the re-occupation of Tientsin.

The Chinese Government does not attempt economy in matters of the finances, and the sums squandered by the Court would pay the indemnity in gold twofold.

The newspapers comment on the significance of the assembling of the British, American, and Japanese fleets in the north of the Gulf of Pe-chili.

Two hundred Roman Catholics at Strasburg, angered by the Socialist victory at the elections, attacked the Jewish shops, and stoned the Jews and Protestants. The military suppressed the disturbances.

Two defendants tried in connection with the practice of slavery in Alabama pleaded guilty, and were sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

The Judge declared that defendants negroes, guilty of no crime, had been brought into Court, and by collusion of people with the magistrates had been deprived of liberty, forced to work, and cruelly beaten.

The conference of the Public School Teachers' Association was continued yesterday, when a number of interesting papers were read.

The Australian share of the loss for two years on the Pacific cable will amount to £64,000.

The excess of expenditure over revenue in Queensland last financial year was £191,341.

The South Australian revenue last year was £1,472,266, as against £2,428,560 for the previous year, the amount exceeding the estimate by £84,444.

The Court of Marine Inquiry yesterday cleared the officer of the schooner Elliston from all blame in connection with the beaching of the vessel last month.

At Hobart yesterday four members of a family were each sentenced to six months' imprisonment for mayhem.

At the inquest on the body of Mrs. Helen Taylor, who was suffocated with gas at Woolloomooloo on Wednesday, a verdict of accidental death was returned.

The revenue of the New Zealand Postal Department shows a surplus of £37,234.

Last season's wheat harvest in New Zealand, after allowing for seed and local consumption, shows a surplus of 1,411,275 bushels.

Sir Robert Stout says that no other Chief Justice in Australasia has been placed in the same position as himself as regards the new order of precedence.

An electric plant, stated to be of exceptional completeness, was opened at the Government railway workshops, Ipswich (Q.), yesterday, by Sir Herbert Chermside.

A selector named Baskett has been committed for trial for the alleged murder of a Chinaman at Ayr (Q.).

Wednesday's sitting of the Legislative Assembly did not terminate till half-past 7 o'clock yesterday morning.

The amendment to the Address in Reply, expressing want of confidence in the Ministry, was negatived by 65 votes to 42.

Eliminating the solidarity party, the vote shows that the straight-out Oppositionists in the House have a majority over the straight-out Ministerialists.

The two previous motions of censure resulted in Government victories by 66 votes to 28, and by 69 votes to 30, respectively.

In the course of a long speech Mr. Eden George declared that "political influence" prevailed in the Works Department.

The Governor's Speech to the South Australian Parliament foreshadows the re-enactment for a year of the higher land and income taxes passed last session.

It also refers to household suffrage in respect to the Legislative Council elections, the whole State being made one district.

A man believed to be Mr. Henry A. Wilks, of Parramatta, has been killed through being crushed between the steamer Marloo and the jetty at Albany (W.A.).

Leave has been given to appeal to the Privy Council in the suit Baxter v. Osseelman, the question at issue being whether foreign shipowners are amenable to the Commonwealth law in respect of the taxation of ships' stores.

The Bonus Commission took evidence in Melbourne yesterday. One witness stated that iron could be profitably manufactured from ores if at the outset a bonus were granted.

The British Empire League in Sydney has received correspondence showing that in the Newfoundland Assembly a bill has been passed appointing May 24 as Empire Day.

A deputation representative of the temperance organisations urged the Premier of Victoria yesterday to introduce a bill to enable the people to say whether they were in favour of prohibition.

Mr. Irvine replied that he intended to study the New Zealand law with a view ultimately to legislating, and in the meantime the Licensing Act would be rigorously enforced.

The first political meeting of women voters ever held in Queensland took place at South Brisbane on Wednesday night. About ninety ladies attended.

A conference in connection with the Wesley Bi-Centenary Celebrations took place at the Centenary Hall yesterday, when a series of addresses upon the great evangelist were delivered.

The Melbourne Chamber of Commerce has received assurances of support from the Kindred bodies in other States in the agitation against the coloured labour prohibition on mailboats.

In the House of Representatives yesterday the High Court Procedure Bill was finally dealt with in committee and reported.

The Naval Agreement Bill was read the first time, as was also the Senate's Elections Bill.

Sir Edmund Barton has given notice of his intention to move for the ratification of the cable agreement with the Eastern Extension Company.

The Arbitration Bill will be introduced into the Federal Parliament next Tuesday.

The Queensland Government is making a claim on the Commonwealth for the expenses incurred in collecting the electoral rolls.

Dr. M'Carthy's rain-making experiments at Broken Hill have so far not achieved success.

The Government Astronomer in Victoria in his forecast says that there will not be any rain in the immediate future at Broken Hill.

The education report in South Australia in regard to average school attendance last year is looked upon as reflecting the diminishing birthrate.

The officers of the Board of Health have presented a report declaring that a large number of wharfs are badly infested with rats.

Business in the Stock and Share market yesterday was quiet, the position generally being steady.

A moderate number of transactions took place in the Mining market, and prices were firmer.

Fair distributing business was done in the Import market, but bulk trade was by no means buoyant.

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MONDAY, JULY 6.

South Coastal v. Northern Border, 2 p.m.	Sydney Cricket Grd. No. 1.
Northern v. Southern, 3.15	
North Coastal v. Hartley, 2 p.m.	Agricultural Ground.
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BIRTHS.

PERRY-CERCUTT.—June 30, at Cunnamulla, Queanbeyan, the wife of G. C. Perry-Cercutt, of a son.

VERNON.—June 30, 1903, at her residence, Dromore, Stanley-street, Arncliffe, the wife of F. J. Ernest Vernon—a daughter.

DEATHS.

CLARK.—July 1, Frederick Clark, of Watford, Hunter's Hill, the beloved husband of Mrs. F. Clark, aged 64 years, who died very suddenly at 1 Bowser-street, Sydney.

DEASE.—July 2, Anna Geraldine Dease, second daughter of the late Christopher Dease, Kempsey, N.S.W. The funeral will leave her mother's residence, 20 Edwin-street, Croydon, to-day (Friday), at 2.30 p.m., for the Necropolis.

ELLIOTT.—July 1, at Prince Alfred Hospital, of dropsy, Albert Herbert, 47 years, native of St. Leonards-on-Sea, Sussex, England.

HARVIE.—At Prince Alfred Hospital suddenly, William Hunter Harvie, of Darlinghurst, Glebe, of pneumonia. Glasgow papers please copy.

LE MARCHANT.—July 2, at Enmore, suddenly, Charles Le Marchant, native of Guernsey, beloved husband of Helen Le Marchant, aged 56 years.

MADDEN.—On July 2, at her grandchild's residence, Town Hall Hotel, Paddington, Mary Ellen Sumroth, the dearly beloved infant daughter of Andrew G. and Annie Madden, aged 9 months.

MANDER JONES.—July 2, at Nanaur, Homebush, Annie Emily, widow of the late David Mander Jones, of Wonnora, Queensland.

MICHAEL.—July 2, at the residence, Wirree Wirree, Epping, Henry Alfred Michael, in his 81st year.

PEARSE.—July 2, at his residence, Winchcombe, Govan-street, Woollahra, J. Bowen Pearse, in his 58th year. Country papers please copy.

REA.—July 2, 1903, at her residence, Rotleigh, Enmore, Susan Reid, wife of Alexander Rea. Short service at the residence, 1.55 p.m. this day. Friends invited. Train leaves Newtown for Necropolis at 2.26 p.m. this day. No flowers.

ROBERTSON.—July 1, at his residence, Calrossy, Arthur-street, Croydon, in his 66th year, James John Robertson, J.P., late district superintendent of the Northern railways, eldest son of the late J. B. H. Robertson, Oakhampton Park, Maitland.

WILLIAMS.—July 1, 1903, at St. Vincent's Hospice, Darlinghurst, after a lingering illness, Maurice Williams, late of 20 Ferry-road, Glebe Point. At rest.

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AITKEN.—In fond and loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Mary Ellen Aitken, who departed this life on July 3rd, 1898, aged 22 years and 6 months. Inserted by her loving mother, brothers, and sisters.

AITKEN.—In fond and loving memory of our dearly beloved sister, Mary Ellen Aitken, who departed this life July 3rd, 1898, aged 22 years and 6 months. May the perpetual light shine upon her. Inserted by her loving sister and brother-in-law, Kate and Tom Ryan.

BRIXEY.—In loving remembrance of Thomas Ernest Brixey, who departed this life July 3rd, 1905. Inserted by his loving family.

BURDETT-SMITH.—In memoriam of the Honourable R. Lovlett-Smith, C.M.G., M.L.C., who died at his residence, 201 Macquarie street, Sydney (in the very prime of life), July 2nd, 1870. Universally deplored and deeply lamented by troops of friends in England and the colonies. Extract from a letter of an ex-Governor of New South Wales:—"His loss is a great one to the colony. He was a true patriot, and his name will be handed down to future generations in the colony as a far-sighted, eloquent, and able statesman. London, April 23rd, 1897."

DELANY.—In loving memory of Laurence Joseph Delany, who died 3rd July, 1902. Inserted by his loving brother, Dr. Delany.

DOUGLASS.—In loving remembrance of our dear brother, Andrew Gwen Douglass, who died on July 3rd, 1898, after a short illness. Sweet was his rest, but memory never. Inserted by his loving sisters, Sophie Downs, Lizzie, Jessie, and Nelly Douglass.

EDWARDS.—In loving remembrance of our dear mother, Phoebe Edwards, who departed this life 3rd July, 1888, aged 72 years. Dear, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving son and daughter-in-law, George and Ada Edwards.

HANSFORD.—In loving memory of our dear mother, who departed this life July 3rd, 1900. Inserted by her loving son and daughter-in-law, A. and A. Hansford.

LOWE.—In loving memory of Dorothy May Lowe, who departed this life July 1st, 1901, aged 15 months. Inserted by her loving god-mother, Ethel Benfield.

MARTELL.—In loving memory of our dear daughter (Alice), who departed this life 3rd of July, 1902. Inserted by her loving father and mother, brothers and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Martell. Gone, but not forgotten.

PALMER.—In sad but loving memory of my dear mother, who departed this life on the 3rd day of July, 1901. Inserted by her loving daughter and grandchildren, S. Mansfield. Gone, but not forgotten.

TASKER.—In loving remembrance of Emma Rebecca, wife of Thomas Tasker, who departed this life at her late residence, the Royal Exchange Hotel, Cowra, on the 3rd day of July, 1896. Inserted by her loving husband and children. Thomas Tasker.

SIDEY.—In affectionate remembrance of our dearly loved sister, Richard Sidey, who died at his late residence, Queen's Hotel, Enmore, July 3rd, 1901. Inserted by his two nieces, Mrs. C. Fobbs and Miss M. Ireland.

WILLIAMS.—In sad but loving memory of my beloved husband, who departed this life 11th July, 1902, at Riverstone, leaving a wife and seven children to mourn his loss. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by his loving wife, Fanny Williams.

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The Sydney Morning Herald.

FRIDAY, JULY 3, 1903.

THE CENSURE DEBATE.

Three points of importance may be noticed in connection with the debate on Mr. Carruthers's motion of censure upon the Government in the Legislative Assembly. In the first place the criticisms which have been so effectively directed during recess at Sir John See and his colleagues have been taken into "Hansard," and are now part and parcel of the constitutional indictment which has been drawn against them. The speeches made by Mr. Carruthers and his supporters have not been answered, and the Government could only meet the charges contained therein by subterfuge or silence. To meet the shock which was coming, the Governor's speech was prepared with deliberate partisan intent. We must suppose that the Attorney-General, if he drafted the speech, sought thus to throw his weight into the scale by a deliverance which could only reach the Assembly officially through the Governor; but the Government as a whole must be held responsible for a glaring breach of trust. The effect, however, has been to forcibly emphasise the contentions of the Opposition and to add more weight to their contributions to "Hansard." How true this is may be realised from the division on the amendment of the leader of the Opposition—which brings us to our second point. The Government majority has been seriously shaken, not only morally but in actual numbers. A majority of 23 after such a challenge as has been thrown out represents abject weakness, especially as a week ago it was confidently calculated at 30 and over. The real point, of course, is that the Government, with all its efforts, could not whip up as many supporters as sat with Mr Carruthers. Party to party, the Opposition is now stronger than the Government; and straight-out Ministerialists when the division bell rang could only muster 41 against 42 on the opposite benches. Labour holds the Government in the hollow of its hand. The majority of 23 yesterday was wholly Labour, with four votes to spare. Could any more humiliating position be imagined for a Ministry which is supposed to hold office as representative of the people? The third point demonstrated by the debate thus comes naturally out of the first and second. The Government made no defence because it knew that its tenure of office depended upon something quite other than strenuous argument; and feeling that the country was hopelessly against it, and that debate was useless, it made no disguise of its contempt for precedent and the rules which regulate our political liberty. Sir John See did not wish to speak at all. He offered to go to a division immediately Mr. Carruthers had finished, thereby intimating that speech had nothing to do with the matter. Forced by pressure from both sides of the House he made a defence which was sadly ineffective. As much must be said of Mr. Waddell's speech, and of Mr. O'Sullivan's. The Treasurer avoided the real issue in his case as determinedly as the Premier had done in his own, and the Minister for Works was simply himself—he just asseverated his belief in a policy of spending. But the demoralisation so apparent in the attitude of Ministers was reflected in the behaviour of the Assembly. Right through there was little regard for decency and order. One of the worst scenes the House has witnessed was the culmination of disorder, and the three weeks' debate may be said to have contained an exhibition of all that should be avoided in the transaction of public business. It showed that a majority of members had lost all sense of responsibility. They were there to keep seats and salaries intact, not to attend to the manifest wishes of the State, and the Government having given the keynote was not behind in conduct which made sport of the Speaker's position. Yet through it all was an evident set of the current in the direction of support for the Opposition. One member after another left the Government or showed himself restless. Had the debate lasted a week longer the shrewd onlooker would not have been surprised to find the Government majority so reduced that the Premier would have had to seriously consider the possibility of carrying on. On such showing it may with confidence be said that Sir John See perceives the writing on the wall more plainly than he did a month ago, and that the censure debate has brought home to him much that aforetime he laughed at or put aside as harmless.

FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCE.

Federal and State finance are so interlaced that it is impossible to discuss the one without touching the other; and since the question of surplus or deficit remains wholly with the States, the main interest lies after all in the positions in which the State Treasurers find themselves. Yet Sir George Turner's figures as given in our columns yesterday have special value, and are, indeed, the foundation upon which everything else rests. The first point is that drought has upset his calculations, and poured revenue upon him from sources not taken into account. Duties upon fodder and food stuffs that suddenly became operative have made a difference of over six hundred thousand pounds in a total already seriously affected by Opposition pressure and Labour strategy. Thus it is that instead of a little over nine millions as the income of the second financial year of the Commonwealth, we have to record no less than £9,681,000. Had the duties on tea and kerosene been allowed to stand when the uniform tariff was finally dealt with, the revenue would have run on past ten millions, and burdens heavy almost past endurance in some directions would have become intolerable. As things are New South Wales has been given £355,000 more than the Federal Treasurer's estimate, and it is only as we take this windfall in connection with an admitted deficit of nearly half a million that we realise how desperate might have been Mr. Waddell's position had pot drought come to his rescue. The See Government has not failed to make the most of the seasons. Ministers have pleaded for consideration because of the dreadful scourging the country has received, yet all the time they have been benefiting by it in that money has been made available which should have remained in the pockets of the people. They have not even attempted to equalise matters by applying the surplus to assist those who have been fighting drought with fodder purchased at high rates, though it is true that the railways have been run at a loss to carry starving stock. What we mean to say is that the See Government has not even been sincere in dealing with moneys which have represented the very life-blood of the pastoral and farming industries. Had the fight for the remission of the fodder duties been sustained as it should have been, or had the amount wrung from the State's extremity been definitely applied to serve a very special need, there would have been reason in the appeal for fair play. But this only raises the issue of remission in its relation to the Federal Government. The Federal Treasurer has been given so much more than he expected or required that it would have been an easy matter for Sir Edmund Barton to deal sympathetically with our necessities, since he could have stood by Sir George Turner in his desire to keep close to estimates which were certain otherwise to look foolish. But the Victorian and Tasmanian farmers were coining money out of the drought, and had to be kept in countenance, and Mr. Watson and his friends had no care for capitalists who, with broken resources, were fighting a terrible battle throughout the length and breadth of the land. Hence the refusal to consider ways and means, and lift a crushing burden from the backs of primary producers in this State.

The outcome is, of course, helpful to the States in their efforts to make ends meet, however much the duties on grain and fodder may have handicapped citizens in their private struggles for a footing. Victoria and South Australia report surpluses, while Queensland is only £191,000 to the bad. Of the latter it may be noted that the income tax collected for the first time has returned more than the Treasurer forecast or anticipated. When his financial proposals were before the State Parliament it was confidently predicted by some of his critics that he would not collect half of what he has since realised, and that 20 per cent. would go in expenses. Now it appears that over £130,000 has been collected, and that the cost of getting that amount in is not likely to reach 10 per cent. Moreover, strenuous economy seems to have been practised by the Government of the northern State, and expenditure has been kept down with an iron hand. But in Victoria and South Australia the same story has to be told, while in all the States direct taxation is being made to bear an increasing share of the cost of government. So far as the Federal Treasurer is concerned, it may be said at once that he has also apparently done everything that is possible to keep down expenditure. Sir George Turner has a reputation to maintain in this particular, and were his colleagues gifted with the faculty of statesmanlike administration there would be little to complain of. But Sir John Forrest allows his department to be run as if defence were something and nothing, and the Labour party's dislike for military organisation in any shape or form is bowed to. Mr. Drake acts as if the Post Office were outside the bounds of ordinary administration, and has roused the wrath of the South Australian Treasurer. Labour dominance is, however, still in evidence in that special provision has to be made for the minimum wage. Of Federal expenditure, new and transferred, and the surpluses returned to the States, the Treasurer has something to say in a jubilant tone. Much saving has been made in the former, and a great sum above the estimate secured in the latter. But we have already pointed out that the cost of federation must be taken on other grounds. A Government which administers its Custom House as if it were in Russia, which taxes State imports, and laughs at adverse decisions, which is the servant of a class and the instrument of class legislation, and which has failed generally to meet the needs of the new nation, is a serious burden in itself. With Sir George Turner's determination and thrifty instincts, we allow, a Government genuinely representative of the people of Australia could do much to place the Commonwealth on impregnable financial foundations, and so help the States to get more quickly to solid ground.

THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

Sir William Lyne has now definitely declared that the selection of the site of the Federal capital belongs to the Federal Government and not to the Government of New South Wales. Presumably we are but anticipating an emphatic protest from Sir John See when we say that a statement of this kind is opposed not only to the letter but to the spirit of the Constitution Act. To make the matter clearer we quote the exact words of the Act with regard to the seat of government. "The seat of government of the Commonwealth," says the Act, "shall be determined by the Parliament, and shall be within territory which shall have been granted to or acquired by the Commonwealth, and shall be vested in and belong to the Commonwealth, and shall be in the State of New South Wales, and be distant not less than one hundred miles from Sydney." The mere phraseology of the section is against the contention advanced by the Minister for Home Affairs. The seat of government is to be "determined" by the Federal Parliament. If words mean anything, this means that the final decision of sites selected belongs to the Parliament, but it assuredly does not mean that the Federal Government shall select sites. Then we have the limitation—that the seat of government must be within territory "granted to or acquired by the Commonwealth." How was this territory to be granted to or acquired by the Commonwealth? A previous section shows this. Section 111 of the Act sets forth that "the Parliament of a State may surrender any part of the State to the Commonwealth; and upon such surrender, and the acceptance thereof by the Commonwealth, such part of the State shall become subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Commonwealth." Only by such surrender can the Commonwealth come into possession of any part of a State. Of course we put out of consideration the employment of federal troops to acquire territory, and deal with the matter solely as a matter of federal arrangement.

These things being so the procedure would seem to be simple enough. Sir William Lyne to the contrary notwithstanding. The surrender of territory in this case concerns only the surrender of an area of land not less than 100 square miles for the purpose of the federal capital; and, in the terms of the Constitution Act, the only State which can make this surrender is New South Wales. The capital must be within our borders, and it must be distant not less than 100 miles from Sydney. The Federal Government has no power to swoop down upon New South Wales and "acquire" the necessary area; it is for the State to grant the necessary area to the Commonwealth. That is to say, the State makes examination as to the sites which would be desirable for the purpose, and offers one, say, for the acceptance of the Commonwealth. The Commonwealth is not bound to accept this offer. The site may, perhaps, be too remote from Sydney to please members of the Federal Parliament, or there may be other reasons influencing them in their refusal. Another site is offered, a choice of sites. In every case the initiative comes from New South Wales, and the Commonwealth Parliament has the right to refuse all the offers. But it is absurd to say that the Federal Government has an unlimited right of selection. If that were true, the Federal Government might select a site which the State would not find it convenient to surrender, and thus the early transference of the seat of government from its temporary to its permanent home would be indefinitely delayed. The State Government's share in the selection of a site for the federal capital has been admitted by the fact that the data upon which the selection is to be made have been collected by a Commissioner appointed by the New South Wales Government. If the then Premier of New South Wales thought that this State had nothing to do with the selection of the site why did he in 1899 instruct this Commissioner to go through the onerous and thankless work of examining sites and weighing their advantages and disadvantages? But the whole movement is simply another expression of the disinclination of certain politicians to fulfil the conditions on which New South Wales made federation possible. Anything to put off the transference of the seat of government from its temporary to its proper home. Were there a real intention and wish to give effect to the Constitution, the State and the Commonwealth would easily arrive at a settlement.

THE SHEEPBREEDERS' SHOW.

The Sheepbreeders' Show now running is another proof, if proof were needed, of the magnificent perseverance of the men engaged in the pastoralist industry. We are at the end now of a long series of droughts, with all that this meant to pastoralists, more, perhaps, than it meant to other people concerned in the progress of the State. It was their hard lot to see the sources of their wealth, the very foundation of their existence, fade away through causes over which they had no control. They did their best, and expended large sums of money in the hope of benefiting themselves, and, through them, the country. In the case of a less insistent race, we might have been told without any circumlocution that the annual exhibition of the Sheepbreeders' Association would not be held this year in consequence of the pressure of the drought; and in any other country but this the excuse would have been regarded as sufficient. Here our sheepbreeders will not admit that the prevalence of bad times lately justifies their postponement of the exhibition of the success of their methods of dealing with the pastoral industry. The public naturally did not expect that the show now open to inspection would equal its predecessors in point of number of exhibits, especially in view of the fact that Tasmanian exhibits have been quarantined.

Possibly, the greatest advantage which can be derived from such an exhibition as the present is the gathering together of a number of men who have the same object in view and who compare notes as to the best way of attaining that object. In effect this is a "pastoral week" in Sydney. Experts from all the States meet to discuss matters of common moment—the best types of sheep, the conduct of pastoral affairs generally, the outlook, both as regards labour and capital, the competition of South America, how a preferential tariff might work, and so forth. Indeed, it is in this collection of persons interested in the same pursuit that the value of such exhibitions as that under notice mainly consists. At other times of the year pastoralists are busily engaged in the prosecution of work at their stations. They have little or no opportunity of comparing notes with their fellows who are engaged in similar occupations in various parts of the Commonwealth. The comparison of rival flocks, or rather of the chosen specimens of rival flocks, which is afforded pastoralists at such shows as the present, is an education to them. More than that, the friendly intercourse leads to discussion of various methods, and thus—indirectly perhaps, but certainly—to the improvement of the systems adopted and to the ultimate benefit of the State. We gather from the accounts which have been published in these columns that the quality of the Australian merino had been abundantly proved in the most trying and difficult circumstances, and that the high standard of the sheep from which our staple industry derives its being has been fully maintained. The pastoralists deserve all the credit and all the profit which their perseverance in effort has earned.

To-day's "Herald."—On page 8 we publish an article by our special reporter which strikingly displays the growth and indicates the prospects of applying electric power to industry in Sydney. Our Bradford wool letter is also published on page 7 of this issue. Mr. Chamberlain's despatch, withdrawing from co-operation with the Commonwealth in mail contracts will be found elsewhere.

The Censure Motion.—The sitting of the Legislative Assembly which began on Wednesday afternoon ended at half-past 7 o'clock yesterday morning. The time between 1 o'clock and a quarter to 6 was covered by a speech from Mr. Eden George. He explained why he had left the Ministerial ranks, and amused the House with some incidents of his relationship with the Government and some views on the means by which Ministers cater for support. Shortly after 6 a vote was taken on Mr Carruthers's censure amendment, and the Government won by 65 votes to 42. Flushed with victory, the Premier was considerate of the physical comfort of members and moved the adjournment of the House till Tuesday next.

French National Fete.—The annual celebration of the French National Fete will take place on July 14 at Clifton Gardens. The leading members of the French community in Sydney have decided to give exceptional eclat to the function this year in view of the recent visit of King Edward VII. to Paris. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Rawson have consented to attend. The State Premier and Lady See and several members of the Ministry, and the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress have also promised to be present.

Empire Day.—The British Empire League in Australia, of which Mr. Bruce Smith is president, has received a communication from the Earl of Meath enclosing correspondence with Sir Robert Bond, Premier of Newfoundland, on the subject of "Empire Day." Sir R. Bond introduced in the Newfoundland Assembly a bill to appoint May 24 to be kept and observed as Empire Day. The measure was passed through the House of Assembly amid a scene of great enthusiasm. The Earl of Meath also forwards a copy of a letter from Mr. George Simpson, Inspector of Schools at Bermuda, where May 24 is known as Victoria Day. Mr Simpson states that the forenoon of that day is devoted in the schools to the consideration of the history and geography of the Empire, and that the afternoon is observed as a half-holiday.

Teachers' Conference.—The sixth annual conference of the New South Wales Public School Teachers' Association, which has been sitting since Tuesday, will conclude this morning with a private session. Since the conference opened no less than 10 addresses have been delivered. The majority of them have been lengthy, but all have been instructive and entertaining to such an extent that applause has been frequent and emphatic throughout. The president (Mr. J. J. Callaghan) has been in the habit of apologising for any slight ambiguity of expression he has been hurried into during his conduct of the proceedings by throwing the responsibility on the "characteristics of his countrymen." But no touch of a national characteristic could have been more happy than the tactful interpretation he put upon an exhibition of impatience that some of the audience gave expression to yesterday during the rather lengthy remarks of a mover of a vote of thanks. He apologised for the acoustic defects of the hall that seemed to him to be responsible for the mistake of the audience in applauding at the wrong time.

Floating Pumicestone.—The American barquentine J. L. Eviston, which arrived here early yesterday morning with a cargo of redwood from Eureka, encountered huge masses of floating pumicestone in the vicinity of the Fiji group of islands. Captain Jensen, who is in command, stated that the pumicestone was first met with when about 150 miles off Fiji, and the ship sailed through the mass for nearly 300 miles. The attention of the ship's company was also attracted by the discolouration of the water for a distance of many miles.

Pitt-street Congregational Church.—A meeting of the members of the Pitt-street Congregational Church was held last night for the purpose of hearing the Rev. N. M. Hennessy's reply to a letter sent to him some few weeks back asking him to become the pastor of the church. Mr. Hennessy read his reply, in which he expressed his willingness to take up the work. It will be remembered that some five months ago Mr. Hennessy came out from Birmingham at the invitation of the church members to fill the pulpit temporarily, and enable them to tide over the difficulties that had arisen in connection with the pastorate. Since then Mr. Hennessy has proved himself a man of great energy and ability. His decision to remain permanently in Sydney will be welcomed not only by Congregationalists but by all who have come in contact with him.

A New P. and O. Steamer.—An advice just received from London by Mr. A. Gordon Weeche, the acting manager of the P. and O. Company at Sydney, states that the Palermo, a new twin-screw cargo steamer of 10,000 tons, was successfully launched at Whitelnch, Glasgow, for the P. and O. Company on May 26. She is the first of three vessels of the same class included in the company's current ship-building programme.

A deputation will wait upon the Treasurer at 2 p.m. to-day with reference to the control of the abattoirs.

A conference on "Public Morals" will be held in the Queen's Hall on Tuesday, 7th instant.

A meeting of ladies to arrange for the entertainment of the New Zealand footballers will be held at Queen Victoria Markets at 4 p.m. to-day.

The Boys' Brigade annual ball will be held in the Paddington Town Hall on Thursday, July 16.

A meeting of the ladies' committee of the children's plain and fancy dress and advertisement ball to be held in the Town Hall on the 9th instant in aid of the funds of the Civil Ambulance and Transport Brigade was held yesterday. Miss Harris presided. It was stated that the arrangements were well forward and that the success of the function was assured. A number of prizes have been offered, including one from his Excellency Sir Harry Rawson.

A meeting of the committee of the Civil Ambulance and Transport Brigade was held last night, Dr. R. H. Todd presiding. The secretary reported that during June the brigade had attended 206 cases of accident and transport, and the officers had travelled 2016 miles in day and night transport services.

We have received from Mr. W. E. Smith his monthly diary and time-table book for July.

We have received Volume II. of detailed tables of the census of Western Australia, taken on March 31, 1901, and compiled under the direction of Mr. Malcolm A. C. Fraser.

The R.A.A. Band will perform in Hyde Park this afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock.

It was reported to the police yesterday that a burglary had been committed at 221 Oxford-street on Wednesday evening, and that £150 had been taken from a box in an upstairs room during the temporary absence of the inmates. It was stated an entrance was effected through a window which had been left open.

The following is the report of the Thomas Walker Convalescent Hospital for the month of June:—Patients in hospital on May 31 last: 31 males, 30 females, 12 children. Since admitted from the hospitals: 26 males, 15 females, 3 children. From the general public: 4 males, 18 females, 3 children. Discharged: 31 males, 36 females, 11 children. Remaining in hospital on June 30: 32 males, 29 females, 7 children, total 68.

FEDERAL CAPITAL SITE.

QUESTION OF RAILWAY COMMUNICATION.

STATEMENT BY THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.

It has already been announced in the columns of the "Herald" that the Federal Site Commissioners not only disclaim any responsibility for the statement made in a certain section of the press that they have decided to recommend the Federal Government to select as a site for the capital of the Commonwealth an area of country embracing Carcoar and Garland, but have also informed the Minister for Home Affairs that any remarks regarding the selection of the Commissioners is pure guesswork. The same journal that announced the selection of the Carcoar-Garland site has gone a step further and published a statement that railway communication with the site in question is unsatisfactory, owing to the gradients on the Blayney-Hardens railway line being very heavy, thus rendering travelling very slow.

The Railway Commissioners are not at all disposed to quietly acquiesce in the condemnation of the Blayney-Harden railway with regard to its construction and the character of the service that could be provided. They state that as compared with other railways in New South Wales the gradients on the line are not exceptional, the greatest length of heavy grade being about 12 miles of 1 in 40 to 1 in 50. On the adjoining section of the main Southern line, viz., between Goulburn and Harden, where the difference in elevation is not nearly so great, there are 15 miles of similar grades. Again, the grades are nothing like as severe as those which occur between Emu Plains and Katoomba, or between Picton and Mittagong. The extent of elevation or a single grade does not represent the comparative difficulties of working any extent of railway. Take, for instance the Southern and Western lines out of Sydney. The latter reaches an elevation of 3658ft. at Clarence, the former 2996ft. at Cullerin, a difference of 1263ft. The whole mileage traversed via the Western line to Harden would be 382 miles, as against 231 miles direct by the Southern route, but the actual up-grade haulage via the main Western line is only 1899ft. more than via the main Southern line, or for the increased distance of 51 miles the lift is only 1026ft. In regard to curves also the number of sharp curves on the Blayney-Hardens section is less than in many another length of the main Northern and Western lines. The permanent way consists of 71lb. steel rails on good ironbark sleepers, while the line is very well ballasted, and can carry the heaviest class of engine in use.

In connection with the train service, the Railway Commissioners state that it must be regulated by economical business considerations. No doubt the comparatively few travellers who have occasion to journey over the section would like a fast express service, such as prevails between Sydney and Albury, but it would be absurd to attempt to run purely passenger trains over the cross line. The business to be done would not justify it, if common-sense business lines were to be followed, and consequently, in order to make the loss on the section as small as possible, mixed goods and passenger trains are run. But even with the most economical working the loss on the branch is over £30,000 a year. Undoubtedly the line has a value beyond its mere financial aspect, as affording cross country facilities between the Western and Southern systems, but at the same time it has to be worked on common-sense rather than on foolish and luxurious lines. The transaction of goods business necessarily makes the time of the through journey somewhat longer, but this is inseparable from the nature of the traffic which has to be transacted.

THE BARRIER WATER FAMINE.

DISPENSING RELIEF.

DIFFERENCE WITH CARTERS.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

A difference has arisen between the carters engaged on the Umberumberka works and Mr. W. Smith, the Government engineer. The latter says he is most anxious to afford work to as many unemployed as possible, and acting on instructions received from his department to treat the works as relief works, he has fixed the rate for ordinary labourers at 7s per day and for draymen at 12s. Some of the latter became dissatisfied at the amount they were earning, and asked that the rate of pay should be increased to 14s. This Mr. Smith refused to do, with the result that several carters refused to continue on the work, and it is expected that others will follow their example. To-day Mr. Smith engaged at the Town Hall 40 carters at the Government rate, but there was considerable difficulty in obtaining men and drays, and only a few were engaged. Night-shift men have not yet started.

A special committee appointed to deal with and afford relief to cases of distress discussed the matter in the Town Hall yesterday afternoon, when final arrangements were made for carrying relief into practical effect. It was decided to commence the relief system this morning, and applicants are required to register at the Town Hall before applying for relief tickets, so that inquiries may be made. During the visit of Mr. Green, chief inspector of charities, he recommended that the aid dispensed by the Government and the municipal council be supplemented by gifts of clothing, &c., obtained by special donations. In obedience to Mr. Green's recommendation a committee was at once formed, members of which elected from themselves a subcommittee to solicit donations. A special appeal is being made by circular for donations.

THE RAIN-MAKING EXPERIMENTS.

During the night a south wind dispersed the clouds, leaving a clear sky and a temperature colder than the previous night. In the early morning a heavy mist hung over Stephen's Creek catchment, and later on strange-looking clouds made their appearance in the northern sky. It was generally considered that Dr. M'Carthy's operations were manifesting themselves. At midday, however, the clouds failed off, and all favourable prospects disappeared. To-night is bright and frosty, with a south-west wind. Dr. M'Carthy, who resumed his rain-making experiments after yesterday's duststorm at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, has since then been keeping them going continuously at the three stations. He told a visitor this afternoon that yesterday's conditions much interfered with the work, and now he thought, instead of rain coming to-night, it might possibly be Saturday or Sunday before a fall occurred.

THE VICTOR

THE COMMONWEALTH.

IN FEDERAL SESSION.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTERS.)

THE SENATE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Not long after the Senate began to-day's sitting a constitutional debate arose on the question that the Senate Elections Bill be read the third time. Sir John Downer moved an amendment, "That the bill be recommitted," and stated that he wished the whole bill to be further scrutinised. The particular point on which he found fault with the bill was that providing that the fourth man on the poll at the Senate election should be considered the man to fill the casual vacancy if any were created by the death or resignation of a Senator. Sir John Downer contended that it was going beyond the Constitution to fill a casual vacancy in that way. He held that the Senator elected to fill such a vacancy must be elected quite apart from the Senators whose seats become vacant by effluxion of time; that, in fact, there should be two ballot papers, one bearing the names of candidates standing to fill periodical vacancies, and the other of candidates to hold office during the remainder of the term of the Senator whose seat was vacated by death or resignation. Holding this view he contended that the bill was ultra vires of the Constitution. On the other hand, the Postmaster-General held that the Constitution was silent on the point as to how Parliament should provide for filling casual vacancies, and that, therefore, the bill was in order. The debate that followed was an interesting one, but the division showed that the sense of the House was against Sir John Downer. His amendment to recommit the bill was therefore rejected, and the bill was read the third time.

The second reading of the Supply Bill was taken without debate, but when the bill was in committee Senator Matheson took advantage of the opportunity to strongly blame the Minister for Defence for not making public Major-General Hutton's report on the state of the defences. His view was that our military equipments were inadequate in every particular. Senator Barrett brought the cases of Lieutenant-Colonels Braithwaite and Reay under notice. The Postmaster-General replied, and a general debate followed. The bill was passed through all its stages after three hours' consideration.

The Sugar Bonus Bill was recommitted in order that clause 2, which was rather extensively amended in committee last week, might be further considered. The Postmaster-General sought to have certain words which were struck out last week reinstated, and this led to a long debate, in the course of which the question arose as to whether the Senate ought to have inserted one of the amendments as a simple amendment, or whether it should request the House of Representatives to make the amendment. It transpired that the President and Chairman of Committees, both of whom are lawyers, held different views, and each made a long statement giving the reasons for his belief. The discussion was adjourned, and the debate on the second reading of the Naturalisation Bill was resumed. Exception was taken by several speakers to the position of women under the bill, and also to the provision that persons naturalised in the States should apply for naturalisation in the Commonwealth before becoming citizens of it. The debate was further adjourned, and the House rose.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House of Representatives had but little business before it. After the Minister for Home Affairs had denied knowledge of a serious discrepancy between federal rolls just completed in Western Australia and State rolls completed in December last, Mr. Kingston won cheers from the labour benches by giving notice that he would on Tuesday next ask leave to introduce the Arbitration and Conciliation bill. Several members raised an objection to a proposal from Sir Edmund Barton to move the second reading of the Naval Agreement Bill on Tuesday, and to proceed with the debate without adjournment. The Prime Minister, however, was firm, and after he had explained that it was a very brief, simple measure, opposition was withdrawn, and his motion for the appropriation necessary to introduce the bill was agreed to.

The High Court Procedure Bill having cropped up again on recommittal for the purpose of further consequential amendments, Mr. Crouch made an effort to add a clause to remove the present incapacity of members of the naval and military service to bring an action against the Commonwealth. It was suggested in the general discussion which followed that the proposal would be more opportune when the Defence Bill was under consideration, and the amendment was withdrawn.

The Prime Minister after congratulating the House on the expedition shown during the week said it was not proposed to sit on Friday, and the House, after adjourning for a couple of hours to await the return of the Supply Bill from the Senate, rose until Tuesday.

ELECTORAL MAPS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The maps prepared by Mr. Boothby (Electoral Districts' Commissioner for South Australia), dividing that State into electoral districts for the House of Representatives, have now been exhibited for the statutory period of 30 days. No objections have been given to them, and they will, therefore, be laid before Parliament for its consideration. Probably this will be done on Tuesday by Sir William Lyne.

REVENUE RETURNS.

The Federal Treasurer has made public to-day the following approximate statement of the revenue collected in the States of the Commonwealth, the expenditure therein, and the balances returned:—

State.	Revenue.	Expenditure.	Balances Returned.
New South Wales ...	£4,393,137	£1,342,766	£3,053,138
Victoria ...	3,139,972	1,017,322	2,103,459
Queensland ...	1,450,787	460,753	990,234
South Australia ...	944,753	366,621	578,929
Western Australia ...	1,629,049	393,324	1,235,731
Tasmania ...	495,471	194,198	301,279
Totals ...	£12,103,879	£3,809,877	£8,293,457

It is pointed out that these figures do not balance, but that is because the amount of the balance returned is made up approximately, and is paid over before each month has actually expired. The balance for June, for instance, is paid over on the 30th of that month, and it is not until the following day that the actual receipts are known. The adjustments are made during the following month.

COLOURED LABOUR ON MAILBOATS.

The Melbourne Chamber of Commerce is in receipt of further telegrams from kindred bodies in other States containing assurances of co-operation in its action to obtain the repeal of the white labour clause in the Federal Post and Telegraph Act dealing with subsidised mail steamers.

FEDERAL CAPITAL.

The bill which Mr. V. L. Solomon seeks to introduce on the subject of the federal capital proposes to repeal that part of the Constitution which provides that the capital shall not be within 100 miles of Sydney, and that it shall be necessary to resume certain territory with it. If he can obtain the necessary majorities in Parliament, he hopes it may be submitted to the people at the general election.

PACIFIC CABLE.

Provision was not made on last year's Estimate for the Australian share of the loss on the Pacific cable. The amount to cover the deficit for two years will have to be voted this year. This will come to about £64,000.

VANCOUVER MAIL CONTRACT.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Referring to the reported statement of Sir Philip Fysh in the House of Representatives yesterday to the effect that the Governments of Fiji, Queensland, and New South Wales had expressed a desire that the Vancouver mail contract should be extended for two years, Mr. Philp stated to-night that the Queensland Government had not been communicated with on the subject at all, and had not expressed any desire as stated. Mr. Philp added he thought the contract should not have been concluded at a higher price without consulting Queensland. This was one of the amounts that would be disputed by-and-bye, as the Queensland Government regarded it as new expenditure, not transferred expenditure at all.

QUEENSLAND FEDERAL ROLLS.

A CLAIM ON THE COMMONWEALTH.

The Government Printer has not yet been able to get any copy in order to enable him to start on the printing of the federal rolls. Notwithstanding the statements made by Federal Ministers, a claim has been made on the Commonwealth Government for the amount of money to represent the cost incurred in the collection of names by the police. The sum mentioned has not been disclosed, but it is understood that it is comparatively small, representing really only the extra expense incurred, such as extra allowances given to collectors, extra forage, &c. The men's time is not charged for. It is a question in the minds of some persons whether the State Government has been wise in making no charge for the services of the police, as although it would be merely a book entry, which would be charged back to the State, the actual cost of collecting the rolls would be shown by the Federal Government to be very much less than it would have been if they had not had the services of the State officers placed at their disposal free of charge.

ORDER OF PRECEDENCE.

AS OBSERVED IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Sir Robert Stout's dissatisfaction at the new table of precedence in New Zealand has given renewed interest to the subject here. The order of precedence provisionally in force in the Commonwealth at present is as follows:—

Governor-General.

State Governors, according to class and date of their commissions; provided that within the territory of the State the Governor of the State shall have precedence immediately after the Governor-General.

Naval Commander-in-Chief of Australian Station.

Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia.

Lieutenant-Governors of States, according to seniority.

Cardinal and Prime's.

Prime Minister of the Commonwealth.

Other Ministers of Commonwealth, according to seniority.

Privy Councillors.

President of the Senate.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Judges of the High Court of Australia.

Executive Councillors allowed to retain the title of Honourable.

Members of the Senate.

Members of the House of Representatives.

Baronets.

Gentlemen holding the various orders of Knighthood, according to the precedence of those orders.

Mayors of the State capitals, according to the population of the cities.

THE TROUBLE IN NEW ZEALAND.

POSITION OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

The Chief Justice (Sir Robert Stout) has been interviewed regarding the statements made by Mr. Seddon on the subject of precedence. Mr. Seddon said that in Australia the Chief Justice was also the Lieutenant-Governor, with a commission always active. In New Zealand he had only a dormant commission as Acting Governor, Sir Robert Stout says that this is not true. The Chief Justice of New South Wales had precedence granted next after the Governor in 1823, when there was no Lieutenant-Governor. No Chief Justice in Australasia, save in New Zealand, has up to the present been placed in the position the Chief Justice of New Zealand has been placed in. Mr. Seddon also stated that when Lord Ranfurly went to Australia some time ago he left a draft table of precedence, which Ministers had not seen and much less approved. The Acting Governor found it. Upon it the petition of the Judges was based and forwarded by the Acting Governor, who signed it (with the Puisne Judges) as Chief Justice without letting his responsible advisers know anything of the matter. The petition was made against a table which did not exist. Ministers were surprised at having the petition referred to them. The correspondence would eventually be published.

Replying to this Sir Robert Stout says that he hopes Mr. Seddon will obtain the sanction of the Secretary of State to publish the confidential correspondence, especially one telegram sent to him from the Colonial Office when Mr. Seddon was in London, and Sir Robert Stout's reply thereto. Sir Robert Stout was not then Acting Governor. Regarding Mr. Seddon's statement as to the petition, Sir Robert Stout says he betrays a strange lapse of memory. The petition is a reply to all the contentions of the Premier. The facts stated therein were not challenged by the Secretary of State, and the petition was signed by him when he had ceased to be Acting Governor. There is Lord Ranfurly's letter acknowledging its receipt. The other Australasian Judges, knowing that the question of precedence was likely to be dealt with, brought their views before the Colonial Office just as the New Zealand Judges did.

STATE FINANCE.

QUEENSLAND.

A SUMMARY OF THE RETURNS.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The Queensland revenue for the month of June was £468,883, being an increase of £114,507 as compared with the figures for June of the previous year. The expenditure amounted to £941,888, being a decrease of £223 as compared with the returns for the previous June. The principal increase in the revenue are—Net amount received from the Commonwealth, £72,098; taxation, £17,975 (which was more than accounted for by the income tax, which yielded £19,733); territorial revenue (including land, pastoral, and mining), £10,979; miscellaneous receipts, £24,981. The railways show a decrease of £12,346. The revenue for the 12 months ended June 30 was £3,536,455, being a decrease of £8606 as compared with last year. The expenditure was £3,717,808, being a decrease of £249,195 as compared with last year. The excess of expenditure over revenue for the year was £191,341, as compared with £431,939 last year. The principal increase in the revenue is taxation, £138,917. The decrease was railways, £70,914. During the year £317,566 was expended on public instruction, being a decrease of £11,856 as compared with last year. On railways £861,749 was expended, being a decrease of £129,002.

The amount received from the Commonwealth for the year was £705,000. The State Treasurer's estimate was £912,000, while Sir George Turner's estimate was £809,000. The decrease in miscellaneous receipts is due to the fact that last year £112,000 was received from the Imperial Government in connection with the South African contingents.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

A SLIGHT INCREASE.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The State revenue returns show that the income for the year was £2,472,266, as against £2,428,360 last year. This is £34,441 in excess of the estimate. The Treasurer expected to get £65,000 from probate and succession duties which yielded £106,027, or nearly £50,000 in excess of the receipts of last year. Land and income tax produced £215,000, as against £156,388. Stamp duties were £49,000 compared with £29,537. The total taxation shows an improvement of £130,737, but this is chiefly due to the additional land and income taxes and stamp duties. Railway receipts amounted to £1,064,000, being £10,764 over the estimate, but nearly £20,000 below the revenue last year. Territorial revenue showed £4710 more than was expected. Other figures convey no special suggestion.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.

CRUSHED BETWEEN STEAMER AND WHARF.

A PARRAMATTA RESIDENT AT ALBANY.

PERTH, Thursday.

Yesterday evening a man who is believed to be Henry A. Willis, of Parramatta, was fatally injured through being crushed between the steamer Marloo and the jetty at Albany. As the steamer was moving forward by the side of the jetty on the way out for Fremantle Willis and another man rushed down and attempted to get on board. Willis grasped a rope hanging over the stern and tried to drag himself up. He failed, and slipped down between the vessel and the jetty, where he was caught by the thighs and body and rolled around several times. He then fell into the water, and when rescued he was a foot below the surface. When placed on the jetty Willis could sit up and speak naturally. An examination, however, showed that all his ribs were broken, and that he was otherwise terribly injured. He died two hours later without having given his name. A pocketbook found on him bore the address "Henry A. Willis, Parramatta." Deceased was about 40 years of age.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT.

THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.

INCREASED TAXATION.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The second session of the Parliament was opened to-day at noon by the new Governor, his Excellency Sir George Le Hunte.

The Governor's Speech made references to the improved prospects, and promised among other public works the construction of a barrage across the Murray mouth for the purpose of keeping back the salt water from the lakes. Several railway bills of a local character were foreshadowed, also a Consolidated Land Act. It was proposed to re-enact the higher land and income taxes enforced last session for one year. Towards the end of the speech passing reference was made to the household suffrage for the Legislative Council, with the whole State as one district.

The House rose at 2.30.

This week's "Mail" contains portraits of Edwin H. Lamaro, W. H. J. Slee, P.G.S., J. M. Gibson, the late Jas. Torpy, D. G. Soutar, C. J. Powers, and Sir A. J. Cadman, K.C.M.G.—Advt.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE BALKANS.

A BULGARIAN NOTE.

WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS DEMANDED.

CRIMES OF TURKS.

LONDON, July 2.

The Bulgarian Government has sent a Note to the Powers on the present situation in the Balkans.

In this Note Bulgaria blames Turkey for thwarting Bulgarian efforts to pacify the Macedonians, and accuses the Turkish troops and the Bashi Bazouks of shocking crimes and excesses.

The Note urges the Powers to secure the withdrawal of large bodies of Turkish troops, which are concentrated in a menacing manner on the frontier, and to insist on the execution of reforms in Macedonia.

The Note adds that the Principality will not be responsible for developments should the Porte continue to act in an unfriendly manner.

Replying to the Note Austria promises to make representations to the Porte on the matters of which complaint is made.

MOVEMENTS OF TURKISH TROOPS.

STRATEGIC POSITIONS OCCUPIED.

LONDON, July 2.

The Constantinople correspondent of the "Times" says that in consequence of the menacing attitude of Bulgaria the Turkish troops have occupied three strategic positions in the Kossovo, Monastir, and Adrianople districts as bases for operations.

THE CHINESE INDEMNITY.

THE BASIS OF PAYMENT.

STIRRING UP THE AUTHORITIES.

LONDON, July 1.

While the United States favours the payment of the Chinese indemnity on a silver basis, and Russia and France are willing that the Customs duties on imports shall be paid on a gold basis, since imports from those countries are insignificant, the other Powers have warned Chang-Chih Tung, the Chinese Commissioner, that they will take strong measures to compel China to adhere to the terms of the protocol, providing for the payment to be in gold. In the event of non-compliance with their demands, the Powers contemplate the seizure of the revenue from the salt gabelle (tax) or the re-occupation of Tientsin.

The Chinese Government is not attempting to effect economy or reform the finances and the sums squandered by the Court would pay the indemnity in gold twice over.

RUSSIANS IN MANCHURIA.

OMINOUS NAVAL ASSEMBLY.

LONDON, July 1.

It is reported that there are 52 Russian warships at Port Arthur.

The Chinese newspapers comment upon the significance of the assembling of the British, American, and Japanese fleets in the north of the Gulf of Pechili.

Recent cables indicated the holding of a conference at an early date, between General Kuropatkin (the Russian Minister for War), M. Lessar (the Russian Minister at Peking), Vice-Admiral Alexieff (the Governor-General of Port Arthur), and other high officials regarding Russia's future in Manchuria. At the same time it was announced that the opinion at Washington was that the Manchurian question was about to enter upon a more definite phase.

GERMANY.

THE SOCIALIST VICTORY.

AN ANTI-JEWISH OUTBREAK.

LONDON, July 1.

Two hundred Roman Catholics at Strasburg, who were enraged at the victory of the Socialists in the elections to the Reichstag, attacked the Jewish shops in the city, stoning the Jews and some Protestants.

The military intervened and suppressed the disorder.

SOMALILAND.

AUDACITY OF THE MULLAH.

LONDON, July 1.

The Mullah Abdullah of Somaliland has sent a message to Brigadier-General Manning offering to exchange the British Maxims he had captured for ammunition. He asked insolently what the British wanted in his country.

Brigadier-General Manning replied to the message of the Mullah advising him to come into the British encampment and submit.

COLONEL PLUNKETT'S LAST STAND.

HIS LAST OFFICER.

KILLS FOUR OF THE ENEMY.

LONDON, July 2.

The correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" at Berbera, in giving additional particulars of the last stand of Colonel Plunkett at Gumburru on April 17, says that Captain Johnston-Stewart, the last of Colonel Plunkett's officers alive, though wounded in seven places, shot with his revolver four of the enemy and was then killed by a Somali.

The Mullah flayed the Somali alive, as he was disappointed at not capturing a living officer.

The maxims referred to by the Mullah were captured when Colonel Plunkett's force was annihilated at Gumburru.

THE SOKOTO EXPEDITION.

EX-SULTAN SUBMISSIVE.

LONDON, July 2.

The ex-Sultan of Sokoto, Atairiku, who has been carrying on a guerilla warfare for some time, has sent a message to Mr. Wallace, the Deputy High Commissioner of Northern Nigeria that he does not desire to fight any longer. There are indications that the followers of the ex-Sultan are deserting him.

The deposed Sultan of Sokoto and his chief supporter, Magaji, raised a large following among the people of the recently occupied provinces of Kano and Zaria under the ancient white banner of Othman Dan Fodio, the founder of the Sokoto Empire. The banner had been captured by a British Officer at the taking of Sokoto, but in the excitement of pursuing the enemy the banner was left behind, and when search was made no trace of it could be found. Among the British officials in the captured country it was not believed that the ruling of the ex-sultan would attain serious dimensions, as he was supported by only one prominent chief, the others having submitted to the British. The cable published to-day shows that the belief was well founded.

DON'T TRY EXPERIMENTS
with unknown and untried brands. Stick to ARNOTT'S MILK ARROWROOT BISCUITS. Patronised by the children of Australia.—Advt.

This week's "Sydney Mail" contains a special article with excellent illustrations on the Crowl Creek Copper Mines at Shuttleton.—Advt.

PREFERENTIAL TRADE.

FREETRADE UNIONISTS.

A DEFENCE COMMITTEE.

TO SAVE CRUSHING DEFEAT.

CONDEMNATION BY EX-FINANCE MINISTERS.

LONDON, July 2.

A meeting of 54 members of the Unionist party in the House of Commons who are freetraders was held yesterday under the presidency of Mr. Henry Hobhouse.

Mr. Hobhouse explained that the aim of the meeting was to assist the Government and to ensure a frank and fair inquiry into Mr. Chamberlain's scheme. A committee would be appointed to examine the probable effect of the suggested changes on the unity of the Empire and on the social and industrial welfare of the United Kingdom, and to explain to the country the objections to the protective taxation of imports.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach (ex-Chancellor of the Exchequer) said that the meeting wished to save the party a crushing defeat. The conference of Unionists held on June 24 was evidently organised by protectionists.

Mr. Chamberlain's scheme, if adopted, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach stated, would provoke a strong struggle between colonial and home interests.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach criticised the proposals with a view of showing the impracticability of compensating the consumer for the increased cost of food caused by an import tax on foodstuffs by readjusting the duties on tea, sugar, and tobacco.

Viscount Goschen, also an ex-Chancellor of the Exchequer, said he doubted whether Mr. Chamberlain would be able to sweep the country with so many Unionist members against him. He denounced Mr. Chamberlain's fiscal policy as most dangerous, and urged the necessity of restricting the inquiry to statistical information having the Government stamp. Private compilations were not of sufficient authority.

NATIONAL LIBERAL FEDERATION.

RETALIATION A RUSTY BLUNDERBUSS.

ARMS OF PRECISION WANTED.

MUTUAL JEALOUSIES EXCITED.

LONDON, July 2.

At a meeting of the National Liberal Federation last night Mr. H. H. Asquith, M.P., moved a resolution to the effect that Mr. Chamberlain's scheme of preferential trade with the colonies would endanger the relations of the motherland with the colonies, and would threaten the Empire's stability.

Mr. Asquith protested against the use of the rusty blunderbuss of retaliation. He urged his countrymen to choose weapons of precision which science had forged, which the British equally with the Germans were able to handle, and which were truly arms for quick fire at long range in the modern industrial campaign.

What the colonies failed to purchase of Great Britain probably consisted of commodities which the motherland was unable to supply.

A system of preference would excite mutual jealousies between the colonies, and would lead to the taxing of all raw materials coming to England.

The resolution was carried.

Mr. Augustine Birrell, K.C., in moving a resolution calling upon the Government to declare its fiscal policy, said that a Government without a fiscal policy was unfit to remain in office for five minutes.

The resolution was carried.

EFFECT ON TRAMP SHIPPING.

THE NATION'S INVESTMENTS.

LOW STATE OF THE AMERICAN TRAMP.

LONDON, July 2.

Mr. Walter Runciman, M.P. (Liberal), shipowner, in a letter to the chairman of the North of England Steamship Owners' Association, recommends him to inquire into the effect of the proposed fiscal changes on tramp shipping, which, he states, represents investments amounting to £120,000,000 of genuine unwatered capital, and comprising six-sevenths of the total number of British ships.

Mr. Runciman emphasises his view that the proposed change, if carried into effect, is likely to increase the cost of shipbuilding, instancing in this respect America, where a difference in the cost, amounting to an increase of 30 per cent. compared with England, has killed American tramp-shipping.

ATTITUDE OF UNIONISTS.

LONDON, July 1.

Although 150 of the Unionist members of the House of Commons are in favour of the Ministerial proposals for an inquiry being held into the fiscal policy of the Empire, 50 per cent. of the party, chiefly representing combined urban and rural constituencies, decline at present to participate in either of the concerted movements for an electoral campaign during the Parliamentary recess.

LIBERAL FREETRADERS.

ADEQUATE VENTILATION OF VIEWS.

LONDON, July 2.

Liberal members of the House of Commons who are freetraders have formed a committee, with colleagues from the Associated Chambers of Commerce, to secure adequate ventilation of views connected with the present controversy.

THE LENGTH OF THE INQUIRY.

NO DISLOCATION OF TRADE.

LONDON, July 2.

Mr. A. J. Balfour, the Prime Minister, replying to questions in the House of Commons last night, said that he was unable to say when the inquiry now being conducted into the fiscal policy of the country would be completed; but he was able to assure his questioners that there was no probability of any dislocation of trade.

THE COLONIAL INSTITUTE.

LONDON, July 2.

The Council of the Royal Colonial Institute has unanimously passed a resolution heartily concurring in the suggestion of Mr. Balfour and Mr. Chamberlain that Imperial fiscal relations should be thoroughly examined.

MORE OF ARNOTT'S
MILK ARROWROOT BISCUITS are sold in New South Wales than the total output of all other factories.—Advt.

Interesting illustrations of the Orient Company's R.M.S. Orita appear in this week's "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

THE UNITED STATES.

THE ACCUSATION OF SLAVERY.

PLANTERS ON TRIAL.

TWO PLEAD GUILTY.

LONDON, July 2.

The trials of planters at Montgomery, Alabama, charged with holding negroes as slaves, have commenced.

Two defendants named Poonage have pleaded guilty and have been sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment.

The Judge, in sentencing the prisoners, said that defenceless people, guilty of no crime, had been brought into court and by collusion with the magistrates had been deprived of their liberty, had been forced to work, and had been cruelly beaten.

THE STEEL TRUST.

LONDON, July 1.

Mr. Pierpont Morgan has appointed Mr. Correy, president of the Carnegie Company, to act as assistant-president of the Steel Trust during the illness of Mr. Schwab.

July 2.

The appointment of Mr. Correy is regarded as permanent as Mr. Pierpont Morgan is dissatisfied with Mr. Schwab's ventures outside the Steel Trust, especially his dealings with the Shipbuilding Trust, which has been declared insolvent.

[A note on the ship-building trust and Mr. Schwab's connection with it appears in our monetary columns.]

RAILWAY COLLISION IN BELGIUM.

TWO DEATHS.

LONDON, July 2.

A serious railway collision is reported from Belgium. A train conveying Antwerp merchants to the corn market at Brussels came into collision with another train at Schaerbeek.

Two people were killed and 21 others were injured.

THE COTTON COMBINE.

ATTEMPT TO BREAK IT.

LONDON, July 2.

Liverpool and other cotton manufacturing centres have shipped cotton to America, hoping to break the corner. One thousand bales have arrived in the United States, and another thousand bales are due in a day or two.

OBITUARY.

VISCOUNT COLVILLE OF CULROSS.

LONDON, July 2.

The death is announced of Viscount Colville of Culross, Lord Chamberlain to Queen Alexandra, aged 84 years.

[Viscount Colville of Culross had been Lord Chamberlain to Queen Alexandra since King Edward's accession. From 1873 to 1901 he was chamberlain to the Prince of Wales. Previous offices he held were Chief Equerry and Clerk Marshal to Queen Victoria, 1852, 1858-59, and Master of the Buckhounds, 1866-68. For a period of 23 years—1872 to 1895—Lord Colville was chairman of the Great Northern Railway Company. He is succeeded in the title by the Master of Colville, who was born in 1854.]

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

LONDON, July 2.

The Amalgamated Society of Engineers has suspended the Glasgow district society for having paid, in defiance of the Amalgamated Society, sums of money to engineers on strike.

The committee of the House of Commons has agreed to the financial clauses of the Irish Land Purchase Bill.

The Court of Inquiry has blamed the R.M.S. Orotava for the collision which occurred between that steamer and the steamship Netherby off Gibraltar on March 18.

According to the "Times," the R.M.S. Orotava, bound for Australia, and carrying 115 passengers, came into collision on March 18 with the British steamship Netherby to the west of Europa Point, Gibraltar. The Orotava was run into amidships on the starboard side by the Netherby. The Netherby had her bow smashed in.

IRON MANUFACTURE.

EVIDENCE OF AN ENGINEER.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the question of granting bonuses to persons engaged in the iron industry sat to-day. The Minister for Customs (Mr. Kingston) presided. The other members present were Messrs. S. W. Cooke, M'Cay, Mauger, Watson, J. Cook, Fuller, and Watkins, M.P.

James Ford Pearson, engineer, said that he was manager for Martin and Co.'s works at Gawler, S.A. He had been connected with the iron industry since 1873. Last year Canada paid nearly a million dollars in connection with pig iron alone. The output of pig iron in Canada last year was 319,000 tons. In his opinion 20,000 tons of pig iron would be sufficient per year for Australia for ordinary manufacturing purposes. He was not including what would be required in connection with large pipe contracts. He thought the manufacture of iron from ores could be successfully established. Prior to coming to Australia 20 years ago he had had experience in the iron industry in Germany and Russia. He favoured a bonus such as indicated in the bill. If a duty were put on there would have to be some duty on finished work. The wages were about 25 per cent. higher in South Australia than in England. In the manufacture of iron he thought there should be a bonus of 12s 6d per ton on mild steel and about 3s or 4s per ton on pig iron. The bonus should only run for a certain period. After the industry got a fair start it should be allowed to go without assistance. He was not aware that a bonus had been paid in Canada for 18 years. He thought one large works would be sufficient at first. This would get control of the Australian market. He did not think that there was much chance of an export trade at first. He thought iron should be produced here at a cost of £2 5s per ton. The commission then adjourned.

SMALLPOX AT LAUNCESTON.

SCARE SUBSIDING.

FIVE DAYS WITHOUT A CASE.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

The scare in connection with the smallpox outbreak is now subsiding, and every effort is being made to eradicate the disease with apparently satisfactory results. Yesterday it was stated that Mrs. Cox had contracted smallpox, but this evening an official report was received to the effect that she has not developed it although the case is regarded with suspicion. It is therefore five days since a single case has occurred. Nothing definite has been decided regarding the removal of patients in the isolation wards at the hospital to the Quarantine station. All patients are progressing favourably, and a couple are now convalescent.

THE ARBITRATION COURT.

PROCEEDINGS AT BROKEN HILL.

PROFITS OF THE PROPRIETARY MINE.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

At the Arbitration Court to-day the cross examination of Mr. Dalgrat, general manager of the Proprietary mine, was concluded. Mr. T. M. Dickenson, secretary of the Proprietary, was then put in the box. He produced exhaustive and voluminous tables showing the profits and working expenses of the company since its inception; also variations in the price of metals during the same period. The net profits to November 30, 1902, were £7,456,000. The wages paid, not including salaries, were £6,324,880. Witness was under cross examination when the Court rose this evening.

"On the Coast With a Mail Liner" is the title of an interesting page of pictures in this week's "Mail."—Advt.

STATE POLITICS.

STATEMENT BY THE PREMIER.

AFTER THE BATTLE.

"Now that the trouble regarding the censure motion is over," observed Sir John See yesterday to a "Herald" representative, "perhaps I may be permitted to make an explanation regarding the charge that I acted discourteously towards Mr. Carruthers by declining to rise immediately he finished his indictment of the Government and reply to him. There was no discourtesy intended by me. Mr. Norton happened to catch the Speaker's eye immediately Mr. Carruthers sat down, and was called. But even if I had risen and been called by the Speaker, what chance would I have had to be reported, seeing that Mr. Carruthers sat down at 10 o'clock, and had already absorbed the greater portion of the space the newspapers are in a position to give to a Parliamentary report? Moreover, I was certain that nothing could be said in addition to what had been repeatedly stated during the recess both for and against the Government, hence I regarded any debate as a mere waste of time.

"It must also be borne in mind that the Opposition had been calling out loudly for an early meeting of Parliament to deal with matters affecting the relief of people in distress. In conformity with that expressed wish, and with the object of expediting business, I was prepared to sacrifice my right to reply to Mr. Carruthers, and in so doing to repeat what I had previously stated during the recess. But instead of the business of the country being expedited there were three long, weary weeks of debate. It seems to me that no good has resulted therefrom.

"At the close of the last session of Parliament the Opposition practically ignored the time-honoured practice of joining in the exchange of courtesies that usually take place at the close of a session. Instead of being present at the usual break-up gathering that is held on the last night of the session, Mr. Carruthers and his colleagues chose to adopt a new departure by holding a function of their own in the Opposition room. That was practically ignoring the courtesy extended to them when they were invited by the Government to attend the break-up.

"I have no desire to carry anything of a personal character into the conduct of political life, and whilst it may be said there was no intention on the part of the Opposition to ignore the Government on that particular occasion, such an inference would be a reasonable one. Politics should not become personal. When they do become so it is a regrettable circumstance. I do not offer these remarks as an excuse for not following Mr. Carruthers on the night he spoke, for, as I said before, it would not have been fair to myself or the Government had I risen at such a late hour in the evening to speak.

"Now that the fight is over I hope members will realise that we have a duty to perform in passing measures for the well-being of the people. If Parliament is to be made a battle-ground for turmoil and contention, without an honest desire on the part of every section of the House to pass useful legislation, then it will not fulfil the expectations of the people. The Opposition, having fought their fight, should submit fairly and honourably to the inevitable. Unless something extraordinary arises, everything should be discussed in a fair manner, and not for the purpose of obstruction. If the Opposition undertook to obstruct all measures, then Parliamentary institutions would be an entire failure."

WEAKNESS OF THE MINISTERIALIST PARTY.

A PUPPET FOR THE LABOUR CORNER.

The result of the division on the censure amendment in the Legislative Assembly presents the Government party in a sorry plight. It is clearly and unmistakably the silence of the two distinct forces—that on the Treasury benches and that in Opposition—and lives but by the good offices of the labour solidarity. The voting on the amendment was 65 for the Government and 42 against it. In that 65 there were 21 solidarity members and three others who, though not pledged to it, always vote with the labour party. So that there were 24 labour votes cast for the Government, leaving a balance of 41 straight out Ministerialists, whereas the Opposition counted 42 straight out. The full voting strength of the House is 124, exclusive of the Speaker. An analysis of the votes cast yesterday, the pairs recorded, and the absentees gives this result—Ministerialists 46, Opposition 51, labour 27. Therefore, in a full vote of the House the Government is absolutely at the mercy of the labour party. More than that it is a wasting quantity, a crumbling force, for whereas its members are one by one leaving to go on opposition it cannot win a single recruit from the other side or from the crossbenches. Mr. T. Griffith has stated in the House his dissatisfaction, and in the event of his deferring to the expressed wish of his constituents not to resign the Opposition count upon him as a recruit. Mr. George was not far wrong on Thursday morning when he said there would be a stampede from the Government ranks if the men who are disgusted with the present Administration were not terrified by the cry of "rat" which the Government had studiously raised. The word answers badly, and no matter that its use is quite unwarranted few men are courageous enough to carry its false weight before their constituents. However, despite all that there is to help the Government along it is seldom that a pronounced leakage of forces of the nature now being manifested is suddenly stopped, and half a score more defections from the Government side would cripple the power of the controlling corner in the House.

THE NET OPPOSITION GAIN.

TWENTY MORE VOTES.

One of the most significant features of the vote is the distinct accession of strength to the Opposition. Thus when this Parliament first assembled Mr. Lee, then leader of the Opposition, tabled a vote of censure, which, however, was defeated by 66 votes to 28. The following session Mr. Lee moved another censure motion in connection with the Government's attitude towards constitutional reform and reduction of members. Upon a division being taken 69 voted for the Government and 30 with the Opposition. Taking the present demonstrated strength of the Opposition as 50, this shows a gain of 20 votes since last session.

Generally speaking reformers express themselves as highly satisfied with the outcome of Mr. Carruthers' action in challenging the Government. It is contended that the overwhelming series of charges of bad administration, of reckless extravagance, and political nepotism which were directed against the Ministry, and which remain unanswered, have been a revelation to the electors. Good educational work has been done, the weakness of the Government has been proven, and the power of the Opposition to make its influence strongly felt during the remaining months of the existing Parliament has been demonstrated to the Government.

LIBERAL AND REFORM ASSOCIATION.

The business paper to be discussed at the conference of the Liberal and Reform Association to be held next month has been prepared. The conference will be opened with an address by the chairman, Mr. J. H. Carruthers, M.L.A., and then follow notices of motions and consideration of rules of debate. Consideration will be given to the following subjects, to conclude with resolutions thereon:—(a) How best to restore the public finances to a sound basis; (b) the land policy of the party; (c) local government; (d) water conservation; (e) a State bank; (f) the educational policy of the party, and suggestions for further organisation of the party. Each branch of the association and the Woman's Liberal League will be entitled to send three delegates, and if any sub-branches exist they will be entitled to send one additional delegate.

LOCAL OPTION.

A meeting is to be held to-night at 201 Pitt-street, city, the offices of the New South Wales Alliance, to organise an "Auxiliary," which is to consist of men who, while not declared temperance men, believe in the principle of local option. The main idea in forming the "Auxiliary" is to push the local option question to the front at the next general election, organise the women's vote, and to do general propagandist work.

PEOPLE'S REFORM LEAGUE.

The annual meeting of the People's Reform League will be held this afternoon for the election of officers and other business. In the evening a general conference of delegates and members will be held in the Town Hall. A smoke social will be tendered to country delegates at Aaron's Exchange Hotel, Gresham-street, on Saturday evening.

ST. GEORGE.

A public meeting of the recently formed branch of the Women's Political Educational League was held in the Rockdale Town Hall. Miss Taylor presided over a large attendance. The following were elected as office-bearers for the ensuing term:—Patroness, Mrs. J. H. Carruthers; president, Mrs. Schey; vice-presidents, Mrs. W. Gowne, Mrs. Wicks, and Mrs. Symonson; treasurer, Miss Taylor; secretary, Miss S. Porter. The members of the committee will be elected later on. A number of ladies signified their intention of becoming members of the branch.

The fortnightly members' meeting of the Women's Liberal League was held last week at St. Matthias' Hall, Paddington, Mrs. Molyneux Parkes being in the chair. Mr. J. A. Hendry gave an address on "Some Important Topics of the Day." There was a good attendance of members. A vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Hendry for his address.

The monthly public meeting of the Women's Liberal League will be held to-night at St. Matthias' Hall, Paddington. Messrs. C. W. Oakes, D. Levy, and J. Harley, M.L.A., will give addresses on "Preferential Duties and State Politics."

LISMORE, Thursday.

Mr. Donald Cormack addressed a meeting last night in the interests of the Liberal and Reform Association. He dealt with the position of present day politics, giving his opinion of the dangers imminent from the policy being pursued, especially from the dominancy of the labour party and the passing of socialistic legisl

THE COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENT.

THE SENATE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTERS.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The President took the chair at half-past 2 o'clock.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL, in answer to Senator Staniforth Smith, said that two detectives solely employed in the Postal Department at Sydney since 1896 were previously connected with the police force of that State. Detectives might be similarly employed in any State.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL, in answer to Senator Matheson, said that Mr. Bladen, of the Sydney Public Library, had in October last year furnished the Government with a report on libraries and the keeping of archives in the principal countries of Europe. This would be laid on the table.

REGULATIONS.

Senator GLASSEY (Q.) moved,—"That the Commonwealth Public Service regulations, laid on the table on May 27 last, be printed."

The motion was agreed to.

OFFICERS IN TRANSFERRED DEPARTMENTS.

On the motion of Senator Keating (Tas.) it was ordered that copies of all correspondence between the Commonwealth and the Tasmanian Government relative to the granting of gratuities to representatives of deceased officers in transferred departments of Tasmania be laid on the table.

SENATE ELECTIONS BILL.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL moved the third reading of the Senate Elections Bill.

Sir JOHN DOWNER (S.A.) moved as an amendment "That the bill be re-committed," and said that, to his mind, it was contrary to the expressed provisions of the Constitution in regard to the filling of casual vacancies. The Constitution provided that in the event of a vacancy arising owing to the death or resignation of a senator the State Parliament should appoint a person to fill his place, and the person so appointed should be appointed until the election for a senator took place. That person, to his view, should, if elected, only hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of the senator whose place he took. The bill provided that in regard to Senate elections the candidate who was fourth on the poll should hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of the senator who was dead or had resigned.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL said that the Constitution was silent on the point raised by Sir John Downer.

After debate, the amendment was negatived by 15 to 7.

The bill was then read a third time, and passed.

SUPPLY BILL.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL, in moving the second reading of the Supply Bill, said it asked for £2,500,000 to the 31st December next. It would form part of the sum usually voted to the Estimates for the year.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was taken into committee.

Clause 2, issue and application of £75,000.

Senator MATHESON moved that the amount named be reduced by £1 in order to call attention to the administration of the Defence Department with regard to the engagement and equipment of the militia forces. As far as he could find out there were only two modern guns in the whole field artillery of the Commonwealth. In the garrison artillery the guns were all of different classes and inefficient, and the equipment generally was inadequate. The Minister of Defence ought to be in a position to lay before Parliament reports of General Hutton pointing out those facts and defects, and the Ministry themselves did not know anything on the subject.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL said Senator Matheson was diligent in reading the reports and endeavouring to find out anything which would tell against the action of the Commonwealth. No useful purpose could be served by bringing the matter forward now, as a motion on the subject already appeared in the business paper in the name of the hon. member.

Senator BARRETT brought under notice the subject of the treatment meted out to Lieutenant-Colonel Braithwaite and Beaj.

After further debate the amendment was negatived by 14 votes to 10.

The bill was reported and passed through all its remaining stages.

THE SUGAR BONUS BILL.

On the motion of the Postmaster-General the Sugar Bonus Bill was recommitted for further consideration of clause 2.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL moved that the request to the House of Representatives to amend the clause by striking out the words "after February 28, 1906," be negatived. These words referred to the date after which only white labour should be employed. He said that the words contained in the amendment inserted at the instance of Senator Glassey when the clause was under consideration could be inserted after three years, should the widest recognition.

Senator McGREGOR (S.A.) said that the proposal was not one that the House had been led to expect from the Government, and he would vote against it.

After discussion the Postmaster-General raised the question as to whether the amendment should have been put in as an amendment at all, or whether the Houses of Representatives should be requested to make the amendment.

The CHAIRMAN said he had consulted the President on the question whether the amendment of Senator Glassey should be put as in the form of a request or not, and differed from him in this view. It might be argued that as the amendment would have the effect of increasing taxation it should be put as a request.

Sir R. BAKER (the President) said the bill was one which in his view the Senate had a right to amend, as taxation was not increased by the amendment.

Sir JOHN DOWNER (S.A.) moved the adjournment of the debate, and it was agreed to.

THE NATURALISATION BILL.

The debate on the second reading of the Naturalisation Bill was resumed.

Senator PEARCE (W.A.) said he disagreed with the position of women in the bill. If an alien woman married a British subject she became naturalised by so doing. If an alien married a British woman she ceased to be a British subject. He objected to the latter enactment. It also seemed to him an anachronism that the children of aliens were naturalised during infancy, but on attaining their majority became aliens.

Senator Sir JOHN DOWNER said that the provision in the bill that persons who have obtained State naturalisation papers should go through a whole paraphernalia of forms before they could be deemed citizens of the Commonwealth ought not to be passed. In committee he would seek to have an amendment inserted to the effect that a person naturalised in any State should be deemed to be a citizen of the Commonwealth.

Senator DAWSON said the restrictions and safeguards provided in the bill were necessary.

Senator PLAYFORD supported the bill, but thought that State naturalisation should entitle the holders of such papers to naturalisation throughout the Commonwealth. He also thought that the clauses relating to women should be struck out.

On the motion of Senator De Largie the debate was further adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT.

At 9.50 the Senate *adjourned* till 10.30 a.m. on the following day.

Senator Neild writes:—"Your representative, not unnaturally, remarks upon my absence when *my amendment to prevent sweating of women and children* under the provisions of the Sugar Bonus Bill was before the Senate on Wednesday. I have been confined to my bed for a couple of days as a result of a terrible cold caught on the journey from Melbourne last Friday, and was greatly disappointed at being prevented from seeing my amendment through."

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Speaker took the chair at half-past 2 o'clock.

PETITION.

Mr. Glynn (S.A.) presented a petition containing upwards of 1000 names, including those of the South Australian Chamber of Manufactures, several corporations, a number of banks, and leading firms of Adelaide, praying against the establishment of the High Court, on the lines of the Judiciary Bill now before Parliament.

QUESTIONS.

The MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS informed Mr. Mahon (W.A.) that he was not aware of any discrepancy between the federal rolls just collected in Western Australia and those collected for the State in December last. The names on the federal rolls numbered 149,000, and he had given instructions to have the new electoral divisions proceeded with at once.

CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION BILL.

The MINISTER FOR CUSTOMS gave notice that he would on Tuesday ask leave to introduce the Conciliation and Arbitration Bill. (Labour cheers.)

NAVAL AGREEMENT BILL.

In committee,

The PRIME MINISTER moved that the appropriation necessary for the introduction of the Naval Agreement Bill be made.

Sir WILLIAM McMILLAN (N.S.W.) thought that before the matter was carried further the House should be supplied with the fullest information bearing upon it.

A number of members asked that after the second reading of the bill a week should elapse before continuing the debate, so that the House might become familiar with the details.

The PRIME MINISTER said the bill was simply an agreement, which had already been circulated for nine days. The question was one that had been most thoroughly discussed outside the House, and as the second reading was not likely to be concluded in one night, he failed to see why there should be any adjournment. Those members ready to go on could make their speeches and others requiring time could wait, and if no one was ready then the adjournment could be made.

The motion was agreed to.

The first reading was agreed to and the second reading was fixed for Tuesday next.

THE CABLE AGREEMENT.

The PRIME MINISTER gave notice that he would on Tuesday next move to have the agreement entered into between the Commonwealth and the Eastern Extension Company ratified.

HIGH COURT PROCEDURE BILL.

The High Court Procedure Bill was again recommitted and a number of consequential amendments were agreed to.

Mr. CROUCH (Vic.) moved to add an additional clause removing the incapacity of members of the naval and military forces to bring an action against the Commonwealth.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL did not think the clause proposed could come within the scope of the bill, and asked for its postponement.

After further debate the clause was withdrawn.

The bill was reported with amendments.

SUPPLY BILL.

The House adjourned for two hours, after which the Supply Bill was received back from the Senate.

SENATES ELECTION BILL.

The *Senates* Election Bill was also received and read the first time.

At 6.10 the House adjourned till half-past 2 o'clock on Tuesday.

AMUSEMENTS.

DINNER TO MR. E. H. LEMARE.

Mr. Edwin H. Lemare, the English organist, who makes his Australian debut at the Town Hall to-morrow night, was entertained at Baumann's last night by the organists of Sydney. The city organist (Mr. Arthur Mason) presided, and about 50 gentlemen sat down, whilst the leading organists of Sydney were represented by Miss Lilian Frost and Miss Alice Bryant.

Mr. Arthur Mason, in proposing the toast of "Our Guest," expressed his sense of the privilege conferred upon him in welcoming so distinguished a visitor on behalf of the organists around him. Before going further he wished to disassociate himself from his office as city organist in order to congratulate the Lord Mayor and the council upon their bold and up-to-date policy in securing one of the famous players of the day for a series of recitals. Mr. Lemare had come to them not only to dazzle the musical public with his talents as an organist, but also as one of a long line of great artists who in endless succession had landed on their shores in the interests of musical art. (Cheers.) Australian musicians were often gibed at as having no chance of artistic success owing to the lack of the musical atmosphere possessed by the older centres of Europe. It must indeed be long years before such an atmosphere was created. But as long as the native born artist had brains, musical intuition, and a capacity for work he could always study the literature of music, and keep pace with the modern developments of the art by embracing the opportunities for improvement and knowledge already in existence. Many resident musicians had in this way devoted their lives to the cause of music, and such names as Sydney Moss, Montagu Younger, Joseph Massey, Robert Hazon, and Delaney would never be forgotten. (Cheers.) Mr. Lemare, however masterly transcriptions for organ had so feloniously enlarged the scope of the instrument, was now in their midst, and the brilliancy and charm of his playing would, he was convinced, present the organists of Sydney with an ideal by which their own endeavours would be stimulated and improved. (Cheers.)

Mr. Joseph Massey also spoke in welcome of Mr. Lemare, referring to such old-time organists as Cerdner, Packer, John Hill, Neville Barnett, and Montague Younger, as men whose influence for good lived after them.

Mr. Lemare, in reply, recretted that improvising on the organ of speech was not his special gift, and he was quite unprepared for the demands made upon him by such an unexpectedly large gathering. He was reminded thereby of the story about Sebastian Wesley, the great player of extempore fugues, upon whom a stranger endeavoured to call. The new arrival was stopped at the door by the porter with the remark, "You can't come in now, sir, as Mr. Wesley is practising his extempore fugue for to-night!" With no such advantage of "morning practice" behind him, he could only thank them heartily, but sincerely, for the heartiness of his reception that evening. (Cheers.) He already felt at home in Sydney, and hoped to be able to interest Sydney audiences on the beautiful organ placed at his disposal. (Cheers.)

Bishop Stirling proposed "Music."

Mr. Hugh Dull proposed "The Visitors," coupled with the names of Signor Bazoli, the Rev. P. J. Simpson Alderman Barlow, and the town clerk of Sydney (Mr. Nesbitt).

CONCERT AND RECITAL.

A concert and dramatic recital was given in the Centenary Hall last night before a numerous audience. The principal contributors to the programme were Mrs. Walter E. Baker and Mr. Hugh C. Buckler, of London, and in a scene from "A Lady of Lyons," the chief item of the evening, both the characters were well sustained, with no lack of dramatic power. For their efforts both were deservedly applauded, and at a later stage Mr. Buckler recited "The Uncle," and in response to repeated applause gave "Clarence's Dream" from "Richard III." Miss Gertrude Palmer played "Etude" and "Staccato Caprice" (Vogrich), both being much appreciated. Signor Hilda Lole, Miss Maud S. Ward, Miss Leslie Waddell, Miss Nellie Mounsell, and Mr. Emil Susanlich contributed to the vocal portion of the programme, whilst Mr. Frei. Penley assisted Mrs. Baker in a comedietta which proved amusing.

AMATEURS AT THE CRITERION.

The Sydney Muff's performance of "Harvest" attracted a large audience last night to the Criterion Theatre, where the piece is staged in the nick of Colonel D'Oray Ogilen's stage direction, acquitted themselves with much credit in the once popular comedy drama. "Harvest" is the work of H. H. Hamilton, best known for his "Moths," and consists of a prologue and three acts. The foundation of the piece shows the repudiation by Noel Musgrave of his wife, Brenda, and of her son owing to a flaw in the ceremony, which in this way sets him free to marry a rich widow. When the curtain rises again after a supposed lapse of 20 years, it is found that Billy, now a young artist, is in love with Lettice Vane, the daughter of the woman for whom Brenda had been jilted. Brenda determines to avenge herself by insisting upon a rupture between the two, but the new widowed Noel, who has come into a title and estate, persuades her to become Lady Musgrave, and thus to legitimise her son. Brenda accepts this solution, and the lovers are also united. An excellent feature in the Muff's performance was the sympathetic acting of Miss Lilian Bethell as Brenda, and her touches of emotion in the spirited speeches which terminate the prologue won her general applause. Mr. Reginald Gray was well cast as the saturnine and resellant Noel, and Mr. Blandford as Tresseder, Lottie Daisy Hill as Geoffrey, and Mr. Frances Paul as Hamish were included in a cast in which the young players were suitably poortrayed by Mr. Stanley M'Kay and Miss Vere Ross. Miss Hilda Bevege as Nora Miss Phil Purcell as Miss M'Leod, and Mr. Harry Baxter as Beryl Brooke completed the company. Herr Schimpflug conducted an efficient orchestra.

The evening in Playland, under Mr. Philip Lytton's direction will appear in "The Guv'nor."

SYDNEY LABOUR COUNCIL.

AMENDMENT OF THE EARLY CLOSING ACT.

A FEDERAL NAVIGATION BILL.

The weekly meeting of the Sydney Labour Council was held at the Trades Hall last night, the president (Mr. E. Riley) occupying the chair.

A motion was carried resenting the attitude assumed by members of the Water and Sewerage Board in refusing to receive a deputation from the council concerning the subletting of contracts and the payment of certain rates of wages.

The delegate of the Milk and Ice Carters' Union said the organisation which he represented had recently drawn up an agreement in which it was provided that there should be only one delivery on Wednesday and Sundays. There was a clause in the Early Closing Act, however, which left it optional to the masters whether they granted the Wednesday half-holiday or one day a month. This clause, it seemed, could override any agreement which might be filed in the Arbitration Court. As there were two sections of employers to deal with, it had been found impossible to arrive at a final decision in regard to the holiday question. Under the present optional provision many of the carters received no holiday at all. To remedy this state of things he suggested that the council take steps to have the Early Closing Act amended in such a way that the Wednesday half-holiday should be compulsorily observed.

A motion was passed,—"That steps be taken to have the Early Closing Act amended in such a way as to prevent it clashing with awards of the Arbitration Court." It was decided that representatives of the unions interested should meet and discuss the amendments required and afterwards make a report to the council.

Mr. Cameron (Seamen's Union) moved,—"That the council affirm the necessity of a short Navigation Bill being introduced into the Federal Parliament this session, a copy of the resolution to be forwarded to the Prime Minister and also to other labour councils, the last-named to be asked to take similar action in urging the passing of the measure." He said that at the present time foreign shipping companies were enabled to go to the cheapest markets of the world, engage their crews there, and then come and trade along the coasts of the Commonwealth. Owing to the low wages paid they were able to reduce their rates and freights to such an extent that the seamen here were in grave danger of being brought down to the same level as those employed on the foreign-owned vessels. If some bill were not passed compelling all vessels trading here and along the coasts to pay the union rate of wages the consequences to the maritime workers would be very serious indeed.

The motion was unanimously carried.

RIFLE CLUBS.

RANDWICK AND COOGEE.

The first annual smoke concert in connection with the Randwick and Coogee Rifle Club was held at the local Town Hall on Wednesday night. Mr. David Storey, M.L.A., presided over a large gathering. The Mayor presented the prize to the successful runners. Amongst those taking part in the entertainment were Dr. J. A. Dick, Messrs. D. Cuneen, Savage, Fitzgerald, J. Sparkes, E. W. Hearne, S. P. Kennedy, A. Brown, O'Donnell, and Webster. Votes of thanks were accorded the chairman, secretary (Mr. W. Turton), and assistant secretary (Mr. F. W. Turton).

For Children's Hacking Cough at night Words' Great Peppermint Cure, 1s 6d.—Advt.

NEW SOUTH WALES PARLIAMENT.

THE CENSURE MOTION.

VICTORY FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

AN EX-MINISTERIALIST'S STORY.

POLITICAL INFLUENCE AND PROMISES OF REWARD.

AN ALL-NIGHT SITTING.

The Legislative Assembly sat all Wednesday night discussing the motion for the adoption of the Address in Reply and the amendment tabled by the leader of the Opposition. On Thursday morning at 1 o'clock Mr. Eden George began speaking. He was subjected to a running fire of interruptions, which induced the Speaker to warn one member that he would have him removed from the chamber if he persisted in offending.

Mr. GEORGE alluded to political influence, which he said was prevalent in the Works Department.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS denied the charge.

Mr. GEORGE: It is because I am not a labour man that I cannot get men on.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS: Why should you get men on when others have been refused.

Mr. GEORGE: While there is political influence I will have my share. Mr. Larry Foley could put men on.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS: How do you know that is true?

Mr. GEORGE: It is absolutely true, because I went to Mr. Foley and he put two or three men on for me. (Cries of "Hello," and Opposition cheers). Mr. O'Sullivan referred me to that gentleman.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS repudiated the assertion and said, "You are spoiling a good speech by *proving* what a mean fellow you are in making such statements." (Cries of "Chair," and "Order.")

Mr. GEORGE asked if the Minister thought he was going to stand by silently and see country members getting men *employed* while men in his electorate were starving. It was not mean, but right, to expose such a system.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS: I am not aware that I have put on a man for you for 12 weeks, and it will be 12 years before I put another on for you. (Cries of "Order.")

Mr. GEORGE proceeded to show from his own experience when a Ministerialist how the Government pandered to the labour party. Sir John See, replying to Mr. George, said that he desired to thank him on behalf of the Ministry for his advice, and for the assistance he had rendered them last session. (Satirical Ministerial laughter.)

Mr. WILLIS: I have done 10 times as much as you and have never been thanked.

Mr. GEORGE said it was well understood then that owing to ill-health he did not intend to again contest the seat. Whilst under the influence of the conversation referred to that he was going to make him a present which was only in the power of a Minister to make.

A Member: What was the present?

Mr. GEORGE: The records of the colony. (Laughter.) But the present had not arrived yet. (Renewed laughter.) Sir John said it was worth about £40, and was the special edition. Mr. (Mr. George) had informed the House early in his Parliamentary career that he had no ambition for office. (Laughter.)

The MINISTER FOR LANDS: You needn't look for it, as you'll never get it.

Mr. GEORGE: I told the Premier never to consider me in a matter of that sort—(ironical laughter)—but if at a later stage he was making any appointments to the Upper House I had a laudable ambition to be a member of that Chamber. (Further laughter.)

The Minister for Lands interjected.

Mr. GEORGE: You told me at your house at Randwick that I would be the first man considered.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS: You in the Upper House! I would sooner put my puppy-dog there.

Mr. GEORGE: You remember what I did to help Tom Taylor, and what you told me then?

The MINISTER FOR LANDS: I don't remember you ever having been in my house. I must have been drunk.

Mr. GEORGE said that the interview in question with the Premier took place about two or three weeks before his going over to the Opposition.

At a quarter to 6 o'clock Mr. George sat down, and no one else rising, the Speaker proceeded to put the amendment. Then an effort was made to continue the debate, but a motion that the question be put was moved by Mr. Kelly, and on a division it was carried by 53 votes to 31 amidst cries of "The gag."

Then the Speaker put the amendment as moved by Mr. Carruthers, on a division, which resulted in 65 votes to 42, giving the Government a majority of 23. With votes and pairs 119 members were accounted for, the Speaker made 120. There were absent Messrs Arch, Campbell, Howarth, and Lonsdale, whose votes were claimed by the Opposition, and Messrs. Dr. H. Sullivan and Pyers, claimed by the Government. Thus, on the full voting strength, the Government majority would have been 22. Following is the division list:—

FOR THE GOVERNMENT—65.

Esteil		M'Neil
M'Mahon		Nelson
Sleath		Nelson, B.
Alex. Campbell		Oakes
Bennett		Pollard
Rhondda		Thomson
Quinn		W. F. Hurley
Meagher		Quirk
Nicholson		J. Storey
T. Fitzpatrick		Brown
Dight		J. F. Smith
H. Macdonald		Burgess
Collins		T. Griffith
Gillies		Gormly
Dacey		A. Griffith
Hollis		W. Willis
Anderson		Hoban
Cann		Neilsen
Scobie		D. E. Hall
M'Laurin		M'Gowen
Holman		M'Farlane
Young		Kelly

AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT—67.

Dr. Ross	Ferguson	Meehan
Broughton	Moore	Carruthers
Latimer	Nobbs	Levy
Coleman	Morton	Rose
M'Kenzie	E. M. Clark	Cosgrove
D. Storey	Garland	Gough
Brunker	Carroll	J. C. L. Fitzpatrick
R. R. O'Connor	Dick	D. O'Connor
Millard	J. Hurley	Mahony
Gilbert	Cohen	Phillips
Ashton	Newman	Law
Fallick	M'Coy	Haynes
Price	Wood	Oakes
Hawthorne	Ashton	Fleming

PAIRS.

For the Government:—Hayes, Byrne, Redmond, Wright, Webster, Isaley.

Against the Government:—Lee, Davidson, Affleck, Farnell, Whiddon, Winchcombe.

The original motion for the adoption of the Address in Reply was put and carried on the voices.

The PREMIER announced that the Address in Reply would be presented to the Governor on Tuesday next at 4.15 p.m.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

On the motion of the Premier, the Standing Orders committee, the library committee, the printing committee, and the refreshment committee were appointed.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House at 7.30 a.m. (Thursday) adjourned till Tuesday next at 4.30 p.m.

TRAINED NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

MODERN HOSPITALS.

A lecture before members of the Australasian Trained Nurses' Association was given last night by Miss M'Gahey in the Royal Society's Rooms, Elizabeth-street. Miss M'Gahey acted as the Sydney delegate to the congress in connection with the International Council of Nurses held recently at Buffalo, and spoke chiefly about the hospitals she had visited both in America and England. Particulars of all the great institutions were given, their method of working, equipment, and efficiency were all referred to, Miss M'Gahey speaking most favourably of the American hospitals. Most of them, she stated, were modern in every respect, and the controllers were alive to the great strides being made daily in surgical and nursing work.

Sir James Graham, in referring to the paper, said that doubtless much would be learned by nurses here as the result of Miss M'Gahey's observations abroad. He himself would like to see established a travelling scholarship for nurses or matrons. They could then travel abroad and bring back valuable knowledge in connection with their work. There was no finality to a nurse's education. Our University teemed with scholarships for different subjects, and he considered one for nurses was a necessity. (Applause.) The benefits to be derived from the conferences were incalculable. He thought the time was ripe for such a conference as that at Buffalo to be held in Australia, and they could supply abundant material for consideration. Undoubtedly America was the maker of nurses. The hospitals there were splendid institutions; so were some of those in England. Japan was alive to the modern hospital, the doctors and nurses there being scrupulously clean. But coming back to Sydney, he did not think our hospitals compared unfavourably with the American. There were few better than our own. (Applause.) Many were more ornate in appearance, but in efficiency—the great essential—we did not lag behind. Compared with other institutions, he thought our own were economically managed. There was one thing, however, which should receive attention, and that was the pay of the nurses. It was so small for the requirements of the work. (Applause.)

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NEWCASTLE.

THE COAL EXPORT TRADE.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The steamer Monowai cleared at the Customs today for Wellington, via Sydney, with 1150 tons of coal, 430 bags coke, 28 packages of timber, and sundries; the American ship John A. Briggs, for San Francisco, via Sydney, with 600 tons of gravel ballast; the steamer Lady Mildred, for Adelaide, with 3530 tons of coal; the barque Clan M'Leod, for Lyttelton, with 942 tons; the barque Emin Pasha for Tocopilla with 2513 tons of Burwood coal; the steamer Willyama, for Port Pirie, via Wallaroo, with 3070 tons of coal, 26 cases preserved meats, 6 barrels beef, and sundries; the steamer Age, for Melbourne, with 3350 tons of coal; and the steamer Carroo, for Townsville, with 125 tons of coal.

The Carroo sailed as above to-day; also the ship Edenmoor, for Pisagua, with 2696 tons of West Wallsend coal.

At the Newcastle Licensing Court to-day an application was made by George Lindsay for a conditional license for premises proposed to be altered at the corner of Scott-street and Parnell-place. The application was refused on the ground that the accommodation requirements of the neighbourhood did not justify the granting of further licenses.

Lambton B Colliery, which had been idle a week, owing to the strike of wheelers, resumed work yesterday.

Preparations are being made for restarting work at the Burwood Extended Colliery, which has been idle for about 10 years. The preparatory work is being carried out under the management of Mr. J. Jeffries.

A COLLISION AT SEA.

THE ADVANCE AND PORT JACKSON.

On Tuesday afternoon last a slight collision took place between the steamship Advance, belonging to Messrs. Fenwick Brothers, and the steamtug Port Jackson, belonging to the firm of Messrs. J. and A. Brown. The vessels at the time were about 20 or 30 miles to the E.S.E. of Jervis Bay, and were alongside the Italian barque Bucentaure, from Buenos Ayres, with a cargo of 2500 tons of wheat, bound for Sydney. It appears that no arrangement had been entered into for the towing of the Beecroft which was sighted simultaneously by the captains of the opposition tugboats. Keen competition exists for towage work, and both tugs proceeded at full speed towards the sailing vessel in the hope of securing the contract. The Advance and the Port Jackson came alongside almost at the same moment, but the master of the Beecroft, an Italian by birth, speaks very little English. Negotiations for towage to the port of Sydney therefore proceeded somewhat slowly, and during this time the tugboats cruised around her. By some means the Advance with her stem struck the Port Jackson's sliding blow just forward of amidships on the port side. The impact fortunately was not a severe one, and the Advance received no injury. The Port Jackson, however, was damaged, but to any great extent. The belting piece was carried away, a part of the bulwarks was dented, and the covering board was shaken. The injuries, however, did not in any way interfere with the sea-going qualities of the Port Jackson, which eventually took the Beecroft in tow, arriving at Sydney late on Wednesday night. Yesterday a survey of the Port Jackson was made by Captain Spanks, the chief surveyor of the Sydney Underwriters' and Salvage Association, who was accompanied by Mr. Spence, the superintending engineer for Messrs. J. and A. Brown.

CASUALTIES.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A MAN.

A man named Charles Le Marchant, 58, residing at 58 Tupper-street, Marrickville, died suddenly yesterday morning. Deceased landed a team at the Exmore terminus, and had just got into the car when he was noticed to fall back on to the seat. As he appeared to be very ill he was at once carried to a chemist's shop near by, where he expired almost immediately. Information was then sent to the police, who took charge of the body. Death is believed to have been due to heart disease.

FATAL SHOOTING ACCIDENT.

WAGGA, Thursday.

John King, aged 13, son of a local butcher, died from the effects of a shooting accident, which occurred this afternoon while out gunning with a companion.

FOUND DROWNED.

PERTH, Thursday.

The dead body of Francis James O'Neill, architect and builder, of Lycon-street, Carlton, was found in the sea at Albany this morning. O'Neill was a passenger from Melbourne to Eastown by the steamer *Afric*. It is not known how the body got into the water, but as a wound has been discovered on the head it is supposed that O'Neill while returning to the steamer from town last Tuesday night fell off the jetty and struck his head against some projecting timber, with the result that he was stunned and drowned.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

When the steamer Woodanga arrived in Moreton Bay from Cooktown this morning a saloon passenger named William M'Lean was found sitting to a cask chair on the saloon deck. On examination it was found that he was dead. Deceased had been engaged by Colonel Sugar Refining Company's Homebush estate at Mackay. He had embarked at Townsville in a delicate state of health Having retired on a pension, he was on his way to Scotland. He was a single man, 55 years of age. Appearances seemed to indicate that M'Lean died from natural causes.

George Holt, a guard on the South Coast Railway, while shunting at Yeerongpilly, near Brisbane, this morning, was crushed between the platform and a railway waggon and was badly injured about the hips.

COBAR, Wednesday.

A miner named T. Williams, 63 years of age, who had been camping at the back of the Chesney mine, attempted to commit suicide yesterday by cutting his throat. Dr. Paul went out and stitched the wounds. The police brought Williams to the hospital, and it was ascertained that he was despondent at his inability to obtain employment. He will be brought before the court when he has sufficiently recovered.

CROOKWELL, Thursday.

Whilst William Cartwright was going home yesterday his horse bolted and his sulky was smashed He received some injury. He is progressing to-day.

KIAMA, Wednesday.

At Roberts's Quarry at Bonlo to-day a man named Thomas Stokes was drilling at the foot of the cliffs, when some stone became dislodged and fell on him from a height of 30 feet. He died before he could be brought to the hospital, where he has unconscious.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

At Barnsdale yesterday a boy named James Wilson, aged 12, was riding on a timber trolly drawn by a traction engine, when he fell to the ground and was crushed to death beneath the wheels of the trolly.

WAGGA, Wednesday.

A fatal burning accident is reported from Tootool, on the Lockhart line. The victim was 7 months old, and a son of Mr. P. Mahoney, a well-known farmer in the neighbourhood. The little one was tied by its mother in a high chair, and was placed before the fire. Leaning forward the chair overbalanced, and fell into the fire. The child was immediately rescued, but not before it had received serious injuries, which resulted fatally.

SALES OF WORK.

A bazaar was held at Glebe Point on Saturday last in aid of the Babies' Home, Allermuir, Newtown The promoters were the Misses Katie M'Gill, Katie Pattison, Lottie Anderson, and Nellie Old of Clouston The efforts of the young ladies met with success and as the result yesterday afternoon they proceeded to the Babies' Home, and handed to the director (Mr. G. E. Ardell) the sum of £10. They were accompanied by Mesdames F. Buckle, J. D. Pattison, C. E. Paul, T. E. Clouston, and H. Anderson.

A sale of work was opened in the Central Hall district of the Sydney City Mission yesterday, by Mr. Eden George, M.L.A. The stalls were promptly supplied by the ladies of the Crescent Presbyterian Church, who also personally superintended the stalls. The Rev. L. Moore, who presided, said that the promoters had on many occasions shown sympathy with the mission, and the proceeds of the sale would be applied to relieve distress, of which there was a considerable amount in all the mission districts. Mr. George expressed his sense of the worth of Missionary Hector, and those under him. Messrs. Mercer, Hogan, and Rev. D. Fewster also spoke. The stalls were superintended by Mesdames D. Fraser, Sproule, Gibbons, Latton, M'Cuhe, Daley, Davies, Woods, and Mercer, the Misses Sproule (2), Berwick, Curtain, Newton, Mercer Musical items were rendered by Miss Rees, Latton, and Logan. The attendance was satisfactory.

A sale of work in aid of St. Andrew's parochial funds was opened in St. Andrew's schoolhall, Pitt-street, yesterday afternoon by Lady Darley. Archdeacon Gunther presided, and called upon Lady Darley to declare the sale open. The Rev. E. J. Read explained the objects of the undertaking. There were three stalls well filled with goods. Mesdames Read, Stratford, and Hodgson looked after No. 1 stall, the Misses Anderson, A. Williams, and Kinnear No. 2 stall, and Mrs. Patching and the Misses Johnston and Strange and members of the G.F.S. after the refreshment stall.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

Corporal F. J. Garnsey has won the champion medal of the Dubbo Rifle Club with an average of 63.6.

COOMA, Wednesday.

The first of the September quarter's shooting in connection with the Cooma Citizen Rifle Club was held to-day. Owing to the strong wind the shooting on the whole was poor. Summerell made top score (50). John Feeley made 45.

At the half-yearly meeting of the Captain Cook Division No. 78 (Sons and Daughters of Temperance), on Wednesday evening last, Bro. F. Hambly was elected representative to the Intervisitation Conference on July 4. The following officers were installed:—R. Johnstone, W.P.; S. Hudson, W.A.; F. Hambly, R.S.; R. L. Baker, A.R.S.; E. B. Baker, F.S.; W. W. Wheeler, treasurer; W. Parker, chaplain; G. Chapple, Con.; J. Bullock, A. Con.; P. Marsh, I.S.; and J. Miller, O.S.

Illustrations of the New and Old Glebe Island Bridge appear in this week's "Mail."—Advt.

THE PLAGUE.

QUEENSLAND RESTRICTIONS.

Respecting the statement of the President of the Board of Health that the Sydney Harbour Trust do not issue fending certificates to masters of vessels loaded in Port Jackson, and that consequently the masters were hampered in the discharge of cargo on reaching a Queensland port, the secretary of the Trust has forwarded to us a form of communication which is addressed to the Board of Health. The document reads as follows:—"I am directed to inform you that the ——, while berthed at ——, complied with the regulations of the Sydney Harbour Trust, which were framed with the object of preventing the passage of rats from vessels to the wharfs, or from the wharfs to the vessels."

The secretary adds that the communication is sent to the board in order to certify "to that body that the regulations of the Sydney Harbour Trust, framed with the object of preventing the passage of rats from vessels to wharfs or vice versa, have been carried out. It is understood that on receipt of this certificate from the Harbour Trust Commissioners the Board of Health take the further necessary action by issuing certificates on all fours with those issued at plague-infected ports in different parts of the world."

CRUSADE AGAINST RATS AND MICE.

The payment by the Government of 6d and 1d respectively for each rat and mouse caught and brought to the Public Health Department, has greatly stimulated the crusade against the rodents. Payment was commenced on Tuesday, when 523 rats and 353 mice were paid for. On Wednesday the tally was 566 rats and 319 mice, so that in two days alone the number of rats in the metropolis was decreased by 1086, and mice by 492. It is expected by the board that when it becomes better known that the payments are being made, the number of rodents, as restored to the capture of which payment will be claimed, will greatly increase.

RAT-INFESTED WHARFS.

The officers of the Board of Health have presented the President of that body with a report respecting the condition of the wharfs as regards rats in Port Jackson. It shows that 10 wharfs in Darling Harbour are badly infested with the same animals, that the same condition of things exists in connection with three wharfs at Miller's Point, three in Woolloomooloo Bay, and one in Circular Quay. The attention of the medical officer of health (*Dr. W. G. Armstrong*) and the Harbour Trust Commissioners has been drawn to the badly-infested condition of these wharfs, and those authorities have been informed it is necessary that the owners should take more active steps to destroy the rats. The structures should also be re-examined for undetected harbourages, and the latter destroyed.

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

ABATTOIRS FOR GRANVILLE.

Some time back the *Granville Council* took steps with a view to having public abattoirs erected within the municipality. It was felt that if public abattoirs were erected and properly supervised, the health of the community would be better safeguarded. At last meeting of the council a communication was received from the Department of Public Health, stating that the board was of opinion that the question should be deferred until a decision in reference to the removal of the abattoirs from Glebe Island was arrived at.

PUBLIC PARKS.

At a meeting of the Granville Council on Wednesday evening a letter was read from Mr. John Noble, M.L.A., stating that it was very probable that the subsidy for parks would not any longer be paralled for. The feeling expressed by the aldermen was that it would be a matter of impossibility to keep up the park if the subsidy were withdrawn. Alderman Hewett said the £350 grant was not sufficient to maintain the park fit for public use. Without the grant it was not worth while keeping the park at all. The Chairman mentioned that the council had spent £6000 on the park, and it was impossible for the council to maintain it without Government assistance.

THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In your issue of May 19 there appeared under the heading of Sir William Lyne and his New South Wales policy a very able letter from Mr. Thomas Marks. I had hoped that its publication would have evoked comment and further correspondence on the subject, in it he reviewed interestingly the various aspects of the Yass-Canberra question dealing with the acquisition of territory by the Federal Government, and showed that the federal territory was only to be carved from outsides an our State many other to the Federal Government for that purpose.

It has been too readily concluded by many that the Federal Government is entitled to claim all territory it claims, to assume territorial rights over any extent, or to any particular part of our State that pleases its fancy. This attitude is decidedly unfair, and I think Mr. Marks is right in possessed by most of our so-called "legislators," who, to save themselves the trouble and worry of the various questions that arise, have made for them without investigation or inquiry, to leaders like Sir John See and Sir W. J. Lyne, the voice of this majority is as the voice of a god.

However, I would suggest to your readers a thoughtful perusal of the clauses cited by Mr. Marks in connection with the question of the preservation of the territorial integrity of original States. I think anyone doing so must come to the conclusion that our State alone has the right to accede what territory it may think fit to the Federal Government. So that by virtue of

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

The Australian Jockey Club has issued its list of racing fixtures for the season beginning on August 1. The dayand racing total 62, has fewer than last year's number, the being accounted for by the Rosehill Racing Club being allotted the days instead of 11. The followings is a synopsis of the meetings:—Australian Jockey Club, 13; Rosehill Racing Club, 10; Canterbury Park Racing Club, 9; Warwick Farm Racing Club, 9; Moorefield Racing Club, 9; Tattersall's Club, 4; Sydney Turf Club, 3; Hawkesbury Racing Club, 3; and City Tattersall's Club, 2.

When E. Keys sold Rusenalt to Mr. A. E. Anderson some two years ago one of the conditions of the purchase was that the Waverley trainer was to get a colt foal by his old favourite. This foal arrived at Keys' stable yesterday, and is a well-grown handsome chestnut from Twenty Winks, by Somnus (imp.), from Brenda, by The Tester (imp.). By the same train which brought this youngster to the city came a bay colt by Rusenalt from Water Colour, by Nastara from Cerise and Blue. This foal belongs to L. A. Cooper, in whose livery Water Colour used to race. He sold the mare to Mr. Anderson for a sum of money and the first colt foal she bore.

Burrangorang has been withdrawn from the Two-Year-Old Handicap and The Snail from the Hawkesbury Handicap to be run at Clarendon on Saturday.

The scratchings recorded at the A.J.C. office yesterday were:—Equator for The Metropolitan, and Lander for the Derby of 1903 and the Leger of 1904.

Entries in connection with the Kensington Racing Club's meeting on Wednesday next will be received up till 5 p.m. to-day by the secretary (Mr. P. O'Mara).

The usual weekly pony and galloway meeting under the management of the Brighton Racing Club will be held at Brighton this afternoon. In addition to the ordinary train arrangements a special will leave Redfern at 2 p.m.

Tit-for-tat was yesterday scratched for the Maiden Hurdle Race to be run at the Grand National Meeting at Flemington.

The New Zealander, Record Reign II., who won the August Handicap at the V.R.C. meeting in 1901, found his way some time ago from India to France, where he has won a couple of races. The following special cable from Paris to the "New York World," dated May 30, gives some interesting particulars of the doings of the horse and his owner:—"His Highness the Maharajah of Patialas' entry, Record Reign II., will be the most interesting horse contesting the Grand Steeplechase at Auteuil to-morrow. The horse was brought from India, and has won the two races he was entered in. He is the most carefully watched horse in France. White-turbaned sikhs guard him constantly, two sleeping in his stall. The Maharajah is a native Indian prince of the third rank - the sort entitled to a salute of 17 guns, while the dozen or so above them get 21. He only came to the throne of his little principality two years and a half ago, and evidently has set about enjoying himself after the fashion of European princes. He rules over a million and a half of subjects in a State but little bigger than Connecticut, and has a revenue of 2,000,000dol. a year."

Entries for the Rosebery Park races, to be held on Tuesday next, close this afternoon with the secretary, Mr. A. E. Bateman.

There is still an absence of life in the betting market. A little business, however, was done yesterday, the favourite for the Grand National Hurdle Race, Marmaid, being backed at 2 to 1. Mataga hardened to 6 to 1, at which price a few wagers were taken; Westerly was in some demand at 8 to 1; while 10 to 1 was available, but the three named. The withdrawals recorded in the National Hurdle Race left the betting slightly in favour of the field backed for the double for a small amount, but no wagers of any value had been made about any of the other scratched horses.

At a meeting of the committee of the Newcastle Jockey Club held last night a letter was read from the A.J.C. confirming the disqualification imposed in connection with the inquiry held by the club regarding the tampering with the scales at the April meeting, discovered after the running of the Pace Welter Handicap. The club still retains the prizemoney for the race. The meeting also discussed the question of appointing three executive stewards for each race meeting, but the matter was further adjourned.

Messrs. W. Inglis and Son announce that at noon to-day they will offer for sale by auction the racing pony Decorum, the property of Silent Sam, and a 14.2 pony by Trident from Quail.

Second fortnite in connection with the Grand National Hurdle Race were declared yesterday. The first acceptances numbered 29, but that total has now been reduced to 11, the 10 at present being:—Colonel Shilinski, 12st 9lb; Corral, 12st 3lb; Fusilade, 12st 2lb; Report, 11st 12lb; Betrayer, 10st 9lb; Sir Joseph, 10st 2lb; Kipling, 9st 10lb; Coat of Arms, 9st 10lb; Irato, 9st 5lb; and Zircon, 9st.

CITY TATTERSALL'S CLUB.

At the invitation of the contractor (Mr. N. W. Stevens) a large gathering assembled yesterday afternoon at the new premises of City Tattersall's Club, 249 Pitt-street, the occasion being the laying of a commemoration stone by the president of the club, Mr. James Clarke. The stone, which was in the form of a marble tablet, bore the following inscription:—"This tablet was laid by James Clarke, Esq., on 2nd July, 1903, to commemorate the completion of this building for City Tattersall's Club. Builder, N. W. Trevascus. Architect, James Tosh." After the ceremony Mr. Clarke, armed with a mallet and silver trowel) proposed the health of "The Contracts," referring in laudatory terms to the workmanlike manner in which the contract had been completed, and the toast of "The Architect" was also drunk, each being accorded musical honours. Mr. Trevaskus proposed "City Tattersall's Club," and in responding the president interestingly traced the origin and progress of the club, the career of which he said had been attended by such conspicuous success that its removal into larger and more commodious premises had become imperative. It was contracted that with a continuance of hearty co-operation on the part of members, even greater successes would be achieved in the future, and before long still more commodious premises would require to be provided. (Applause.) Mr. Clarke then presented Mr. Clarke with a handsome gold watchfob as a mark of esteem and appreciation of his services as president, and the recipient having fittingly returned thanks, the toasts of "The Press," "The Committee and Secretary (Mr. Mitchell)," and "The Visitors" were honoured, the last-mentioned being responded to by Mr. E. M. Clark, M.L.A., and Mr. P. O'Mara, secretary of the Kensington Racing Club.

The club will move into its new premises on Monday next. They are situated almost opposite Tattersall's Club, and the change is certainly a for the better appreciated by the members. On the ground floor there are the bar, well lighted and completely fitted; the club-room, 50ft. by 18ft., an exceedingly comfortable, cheerful, and commodious room; the billiard-room, fitted with one of Slade's best tables; and a large and lavatory accommodation. On the second floor the principal apartment is the card room, which is large, bright, and airy, and adjoining that is the secretary's office. Higher still is a cosy room which may also be used for games, and in which a number of lockers have been fixed for the accommodation of the bookmakers connected with the club. Altogether City Tattersall's Club may be congratulated upon the roomy and comfortable character of its new premises.

THE MORNING GALLOPS.

The weather was warm and spring-like at Randwick yesterday, and the training tracks were in excellent order. The principal track over which gallops were given for the use of trainers. Fanfare opened the ball with some half-pacing work, then Loch Leche and Pursuer ran seven furlongs together on the grass in 1m. 34s. La Blaze ran five furlongs in 1m. 8s. Sir Leander did long, slow work; and Lord Clive, with a throat sweater on, went at a useful pace. No Name ran nine furlongs in 2m. 6s., and Ethel ran five furlongs in 1m. 8s. Loch Lomond and Goldfoot travelled six furlongs in 1m. 22½s., and La Velita put one mile behind her in 2m. 3s. Lady in sweaters, paced along for a couple of turns, and T.M.B., assisted by Moross for five furlongs, ran six in 1m. 23s. Carisle tired very much at the finish of six furlongs, which occupied 1m. 23½s., and Cumbo, whom Ramsay accompanied for four furlongs, ran five in 1m. 5s., a distance when Promotion had in a second faster time. Grumble went six furlongs with Cin and pulled up; the mare going on alone accomplished a mile in 1m. 52s. Suivre had the call over Simple Simon at the end of six furlongs ran in 1m. 25s., and Sporran had move to say than Watchfire at the finish of five run in 1m. 9s. Lesta Gnarco spent 1m. 53½s. over a mile, while Jacobite and 4X did a six-furlong working gallop. Lockhart, who shifted a lot at the finish, Sandy Sam, Sirius and Sing Sing over a mile in 1m. 48½s., and Happy Days did a strong working mile in 1m. 53s.

The tan track was largely patronised. On it Nalgro ran a mile and a quarter in 2m. 10½s., and Dewisonet travelled a round at half pace. Though not fully extended Lochnivar would have left a mile behind in 1m. 47s., and Agitator ran a similar distance in 1m. 45s., a gallop that was just equalled by Nagoto, whom Taiwan accompanied for seven furlongs. Famous ran a mile in 1m. 50s., while Thetford, Bokin, and Kobe worked usefully for a turn and then brushed home. At the finish of five furlongs, ran in 1m. 13s., Vocalist was in front of Escourt and Euston, and Wyena, assisted by Holova for a mile, ran a mile and a quarter in 2m. 16s. Beckleah ran seven furlongs in 1m. 33s., and Esbourne paced six furlongs in 1m. 20s. Calcium and Runaway Girl were not extended to run six furlongs in 1m. 23s., and after useful pacing Overdale and Haut Gout came along sharply for about half a mile. The Caretaker and Bewitcher did useful half-pace work, and Eureka strode along at a sound pace for a turn, leaving a mile behind in 2m. 30s. William James and Haut Star each did useful gallops over a round, and Barb ran half a mile in moderate time.

THE GRAND NATIONAL MEETING.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The scratching pen was pretty freely used to-day among the candidates for the Grand National Hurdle Race, but with the exception of Fusilette, who had been marketable at 11 to 1, and Coat of Arms, about whom a fair amount had been taken at 100 to 7, none of the other miscreants that been backed.

The betting market was very dull to-day, business being paralysed by Marmaid, who, however, eased half a point after wagers amounting to 2000 to 200 had been recorded about My Mistake. A few small wagers were booked about Marmaid at 5 to 2, with the same price on offer. There was still plenty money on offer against My Mistake at 100 to 10. Some small sums were written about Mataga at 100 to 8, with 100 to 10 on offer. The best offer against Lowland Chief was 12 to 1, and some small bets were registered about Rawdon at 14 to 1. Sixteen to 1 could be had about Nausen, and 20 to 1 about Pierot and John See.

There was no business transacted in the Victorian Club rooms this evening, but the card for the G. N. Hurdle Race will be read to-morrow at midday and in the evening.

Strathjoy, after a lengthy spell, has resumed work at Caulfield.

Comfast, who is engaged in the Winter Handicap on Saturday, has arrived at Flemington, and Alec Taylor has brought down My Mistake, Kilt, and Wait-a-Bit from Burrumbeet.

Mame has been scratched for the Maiden Hurdle Race.

VICTORIAN TRAINING NOTES.

PLEMINGTON.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A lot of good work was done this morning, but the tracks were heavy and against fast times. Marmont did a good useful working gallop over two miles and a quarter on cinders, and looked and went well, but was not asked to make time. Mustchaps, assisted by Minghan for the last three-quarters of a mile, galloped a mile and a quarter on the sand in 2m 20s. Fiddlestring ran once round in 2m. 42s. Guld Bar went well and ran a mile and a quarter in 2m. 20s., Divisor helping him over the final stages. Matong pleased by the way in which he galloped once round on the sand in 2m. 36s., the last mile occupying 1m. 55½s. Vame ran the last seven furlongs of the mile in 1m. 44s. The Corsican galloped nine furlongs in 2m. 6s. Toongs, with W. Bailey up, completed the journey once round on the sand in 2m. 30½. The Farmer held Oma safe over six furlongs in 1m. 26½s. Marsma galloped a mile on the cinders in 1m. 48½s. Anchor did a good working gallop over two miles in 3m. 48s. Buoyant, assisted for the first five furlongs by Etang and for the last five by Oyster, galloped two miles in 3m. 04½s., completing the first round in 2m. 4½s., and the last round in 2m. 39½s. Buoyant did it pretty well. Shotgun, who was to have assisted him over the last mile, ran off the track at the junction of the course proper and fell, but luckily without injury to the rider of himself. Unfinished ran the last five furlongs of the mile on cinders in 1m. 9s. Turk and Goldfinder ran once round on the sand in 2m. 47½s. Safeguard galloped a mile in 1m. 53s. A.M.B. did a useful working gallop over two mile s in 4m. 13½s. The Snail, who looks well, did steady work. Strata Florida went twice over six furlongs at a useful pace. Flotsam ran the last four of six furlongs in 50s. Burgos and Warfield shaped well over the fences, but Signet, on being put to similar work, jumped high and slow, and nearly fell once.

CAULFIELD.

The tracks were in good order this morning. Chris and Vanessa ran six furlongs in 1m. 25s. Westerley ran right away from Tit-for-tat over nine furlongs in 2m. 3s. Sergeant and Adjutant finished in front of Strelzail over nine furlongs in 2m. 5s. Lowland Chief did even time work, and Grafnel and Offender were sent nine furlongs at evens. Freedom did strong work for a mile and a quarter. Shamrock ran a mile and a quarter in 2m. 12s. Master ran nine furlongs in 2m. 7s. Profit and Le Glanour ran six furlongs in 1m 22½s. Pirate and Southern Cross were sent at top speed over two miles, and were outside evens. Admiration did a mile in 1m. 53½s. Interloper travelled a mile and a quarter in 2m. 25s. Manse went badly over a mile in 1m. 58s. Sweep Clean had the assistance of Rhapsody over the last six furlongs of eight done in 1m. 51s.

AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB.

Dates for racing fixtures for the season 1903-1904:—

1903.

August.—Canterbury Park Racing Club, Saturday, 1 (Bank Holiday); Moorefield Racing Club, Saturday, 8; Warwick Farm Racing Club, Saturday, 15; Rosehill Racing Club, saturday, 22; Tattersall's Club, Saturday, 29.

September.—Canterbury Park Racing Club, Saturday, 5; Australian Jockey Club, Saturday, 12, Monday, 14, Wednesday, 16, and Saturday, 19; City Tattersall's Club, Saturday, 26.

October.—Canterbury Park Racing Club, Saturday, 3; Warwick Farm Racing Club, Monday, 5 (Eight-hour Day); Rosehill Racing Club, Saturday, 10; Moorefield Racing Club, Saturday, 17; Warwick Farm Racing Club, Saturday, 24; Canterbury Park Racing Club, Saturday, 31.

November.—Rosehill Racing Club, Saturday, 7, and Monday, 9 (King's Birthday); Moorefield Racing Club, Saturday, 14; Australian Jockey Club, Saturday, 21; Canterbury Park Racing Club, Saturday, 28.

December.—Warwick Farm Racing Club, Saturday, 5; Moorefield Racing Club, Saturday, 12; Australian Jockey Club, Saturday, 19, and Saturday, 26 (Boxing Day).

1904.

January.—Tattersall's Club, Friday, 1 (New Year's Day), and Saturday, 2; Rosehill Racing Club, Saturday 9; Canterbury Park Racing Club, Saturday 16; Sydney Turf Club, Saturday 23 and Tuesday, 26 (Anniversary Day); Warwick Farm Racing Club, Saturday, 30.

February.—Hawkesbury Racing Club, Saturday, 6; Rosehill Racing Club, Saturday, 13; Canterbury Park Racing Club, Saturday, 20; Warwick Farm Racing Club, Saturday, 27.

March.—Moorefield Racing Club, Saturday, 5; Rosehill Racing Club, Saturday, 12, and Saturday, 19; Hawkesbury Racing Club, Saturday, 26.

April.—Australian Jockey Club, Saturday, 2, Monday, 4 (Easter Monday), Wednesday, 6, and Saturday, 9; City Tattersall's Club, Saturday, 16; Canterbury Park Racing Club, Saturday, 23; Warwick Farm Racing Club, Saturday, 30.

May.—Sydney Turf Club, Saturday, 7; Tattersall's Club, Saturday, 14; Hawkesbury Racing Club, Saturday, 21; Rosehill Racing Club, Saturday, 28.

June.—Australian Jockey Club, Friday, 3 (Prince of Wales' Birthday), and Saturday, 4; Canterbury Park Racing Club, Saturday, 11; Warwick Farm Racing Club, Saturday, 18; Moorefield Racing Club, Saturday, 25.

July.—Hawkesbury Racing Club, Saturday, 2; Rosehill Racing Club, Saturday, 9; Canterbury Park Racing Club, Saturday, 16; Warwick Farm Racing Club, Saturday, 23; Moorefield Racing Club, Saturday, 30.

At all meetings held by the Hawkesbury and Warwick Farm Racing Clubs excepted, within the metropolitan district (40 miles radius) the amount of added money shall be £100 per day for each two-mile race, and £50 per day for each five six races. At race meetings held at Randwick, the amount of added money for each race shall not be less than £200.

At every registered meeting held within a radius of 40 miles from the G.P.O., Sydney, there shall be on each day at least five races on the flat, one flat run at a distance of not less than one mile, unless the programme consists of not more than five races, and include both a hurdle race and a steeplechase, in which case there shall be at least two such races on the flat. At every meeting which shall not be a selling race) shall be run at a distance of not less than one mile and a quarter, the added money in the case of such handicap races shall be not less than £150.

At every registered meeting held during the months of April, May, June, July, August, and September, within the 40 miles radius, the added money for each steeplechase shall include a hurdle race or steeplechase, the added money to which shall not be less than £50.

Those clubs which have no objection to withdrawing that the clubs hold race meetings on the days allotted, weather permitting, and subject to any alteration that may be made by the Government for the keeping or celebration of particular holidays.

GRAND NATIONAL HURDLE RACE.

FINAL ACCEPTANCES.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The following are the final acceptances for the Grand National Hurdle Race:—

	st lb		st lb
Orlando	11 10	Shoddy	10 7
Lowland Chf.	11 2	Westrail	10 0
Rawdon	10 10	Pierot	9 11
Lord Vad	10 10	Yadin	9 10
Nausen	10 7	Rupyant	9 9
John See	10 6	My Mistake	9 8
Mataga	10 6		
Conquest	9 7		
Furz	9 7		
Westerly	9 4		
Farnham	9 3		
Mariner	9 2		
Marmont	9 1		

BRIGHTON RACING CLUB.

The following handicaps have been declared for the pony and galloway meeting to be held at Brighton to-day:—Flying Handicap (about 1 mile), Spade Ace, 9st 2lb; His mark, 8st 10lb; Napier, 8st 5lb; Scotch Mixture, 8st; Fairy Queen, 7st; March, 7st; Cannon, 7st.

Carlton Handicap (13.3), 4f. 80yds.—Kempsey, 9st 7lb; Scotch Mixture, 8st 12lb; Mirror, 8st 5lb; Inceptor, 8st 5lb; Lucknow, 8st 4lb; Dream Wave, 7st 10lb; Fidgets, 7st 9lb; Merrie Minnie, 7st; Gip, 7st.

Novice Handicap (15.0), 5f.—Dandelion, 9st 2lb; Heroine, 8st 7lb; Golden Gem, 8st 5lb; Gentler, 8st 5lb; Kingslaughter, 8st 4lb; Dreamer, 7st 12lb; Lady Belle, 7st 9lb; Kilcoy, 7st 7lb; Fred, 7st; Lady Burleigh, 7st; Dun Dun, 7st; Saraparilla, 7st.

Selling Handicap (11.1), 4f. 80yds.—Bob, 8st 12lb; Chieftain, 8st 12lb; Alice, 8st 9lb; Stella, 8st 7lb; Clare, 8st; Princess, 7st 10lb; Dolly, 7st; Miss Oracle, 7st; Nobita Lady, 7st.

Brighton Handicap (15.0), 7f.—Blackwing, 9st 7lb; Toledo, 9st 2lb; Tonic, 9st; Insmark, 8st 8lb; Scotch Soldier, 8st; West Bay, 8st; Tulip, 8st; Queen, 7st 11lb; Specimen, 7st; Snowflake, 7st; Bus, 7st.

TENNIS.

MOLONG, Thursday.

The Pinecliff Tennis Club defeated Molong by 16 games. Scores:—Pinecliff, 150 games; Molong, 148.

GOLF.

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

ENGLAND v. SCOTLAND.

The final of the amateur championship was played May 22 over the Muirfield Course, and was of an international character, for the finalists, Messrs. H. G. Hutchinson and R. Maxwell, represented respectively England and Scotland. The weather, which during the greater part of the crowd of spectators, was against the players, for it blew from norner to corner across the course. The strain of the early games in the championship showed itself plainly on both players, but more particularly on Mr. Hutchinson, the veteran English representatives. The latter showed that in a less degree he would not hold his younger and stronger opponent. The Scotsman led by four holes at the end of the first round, and in the afternoon Hutchinson retired on losing the thirteenth hole.

The first hole of the day was won by the home player, whose drive was straight on the pin. Hutchinson sliced his driving, and being short with his second. The game was squared by a green hitter, when Maxwell was short with his pitch after going away with the longer drive. Too strong with his pitch from the rough. Hutchinson had no chance of dividing at the next hole. Neither got the strength of the green at the fourth, and Hutchinson saved the hole on the fifth green and squared the match with the short hole he had to Maxwell. Two greens later Maxwell prevented Hutchinson taking the lead by laying the Englishman a dead stimie, and the Scotsman, taking a pretty line with his approach to the eighth hole, secured it in a long putt, and took the turn. There he appreciated 41 to his opponent's 43. Four play on the eleventh green lost Hutchinson the hole, but Maxwell was in difficulties at the next, and to the next two holes, and as he failed to snatch a half at the second of the two greens the match stood square with 13 holes played. The five holes which remained of the first round provided a complete change in the order. On the fourteenth green Hutchinson's short game failed him, and, bunkering off his drive to the fifteenth green and took his third to the sixteenth, he had the chance of dividing against Maxwell's powerful, long, and steady short game. The home hole was played in perfect style by the Scotsman, playing through a strong cross wind. He had a shaking drive, and, going all out, he laid his second almost within holing distance—a great stroke. He failed to run down a long third, but he had two strokes for the hole, and putting down a short, pats, one off two, he won the hole, and ended the first part of the day's proceedings with the comfortable lead of four holes.

Resuming in the afternoon, the Scotsman's lead was increased to five by two greens out, but he was relatively weak on the fourth and fifth greens, and his lead fell to three holes. He, however, laid a beautiful approach dead on the pin at the seventh h le, and putting down in three won the hole and stood 4 up, a lead he continued to hold at the turn. A featureless 4 divided the first hole in, and then came a fine example of Maxwell's long game. Hitting tremendously hard, he reached the green in two, his opponent being bunkered to the right of the green off his fourth shot. The Scotsman gave up the hole after playing six, Maxwell meantime being within holing distance in four. Taking the twelfth hole in a perfect four, Maxwell stood dormy six. The last hole of the bye was not played out, Hutchinson, after Maxwell had laid a long like dead in three, giving up the hole. It was a fine thing between a 6 up and 5 or 4 up and 3 victory, but the giving up of the hole made the latter the accepted return. Approximated returns were as follow:—

Morning.

Maxwell: Out, 5445554445; in, 4545545444—81.
Hutchinson: Out, 5555545455; in, 4544445545—83.

Afternoon.

Maxwell: Out, 4445544354; in, 4544. Total for 72 holes, 53.
Hutchinson: Out, 4545544454; in, 4746 5. Total 61.

This is Maxwell's first victory. Hutchinson has twice secured the championship, in 1896 and 1897.

ENGLAND v. SCOTLAND.

TEAM MATCH.

As a concluding item to the amateur championship an international team match, nine a side, was played on May 23, and was won by England by 1 hole. The scores were:—

England.			Scotland.
John Bull, jun.	0	v. R. Maxwell	1
H. H. Hilton	1	v. J. E. Laidlay	0
H. G. Hutchinson	1	v. T. Mackenzie	0
R. de Knite	0	v. J. Graham, jun.	1
J. H. Fenn	1	v. Leslie Balfour Melville	0
C. Tyre	0	v. R. More Ferguson	1
H. Castle	1	v. James Robb	0
W. H. Fowler	1	v. N. F. Hunter	0
G. F. Smith	1	v. C. E. Dick	0
Total	5	Total	3

HUNTER'S HILL G.C.

The association's monthly stroke competition resulted as follows:—

Miss D. Cooke	124	36	88
Miss Cooke	110	18	92
Mrs. Buchanan	135	36	99
Mrs. Leibridge	99	scr.	99

CYCLING.

EASTERN SUBURBS CLUB.

The five-mile road race for members of the Eastern Suburbs Bicycle Club had to be abandoned last week owing to the bad state of the roads along the Maroubra-Long Bay course. The event will be run over the same course on Saturday, the 11th instant.

The committee has prepared an attractive programme of runs for each week-end during the coming three months. All runs will start from the clubrooms, all-day runs at 9 a.m. and Saturday afternoons at 2.30.

THE PARIS-MADRID RACE.

A DISASTROUS EVENT.

Particulars of the Paris to Madrid motor-car race which, owing to fatalities, terminated at Bordeaux, are to hand. The start was made at 3.45 a.m. at Versailles in the presence of 200,000 people. All night the streets were crowded, and the noise and the excitement were tremendous. The competing cars were sent off at intervals of 1 minute. Madame du Gast was the only lady competitor. Several prominent competitors early met with mishaps. M. Henry Fournier's car broke down before he had gone 16 miles and he retired. The Baron de Caters car overturned while rounding a curve. All tyres were torn off the wheels; the occupants escaped unhurt. Another car caught fire before reaching Rambouillet and was burnt. A car driven by an Eglishman, Mr. Loraine Barrow, ran over a dog near Lebourne, and collided with a tree. The machinist was killed on the Northern team, representing Charters Towers and Ravenswood. This was a splendid game, the sides being evenly matched. North scored towards the close of the first half, the interval found the scores level. No success alon, neither being converted. The Western team ultimately won by 6 points to 5 after the best game of the series.

FOOTBALL.

The Metropolitan Rugby Union has decided to play the match Newtown v. University, first grade, at the University Oval at 2 p.m. on Saturday next, the 4th instant.

It has been decided to send a borough team and a referee to Wollongong on Friday night, the 10th instant, returning to Sydney on Saturday night. The team has been selected as follows:—Full-back: Hilder (Manly). Three-quarters: Hall (Surry Hills), Heimrich (Mosmas), Mitchell (Leichhardt), Forbes (Annandale). Halves: Small (University), Dickie (Newtown). Forwards: M'Intosh (Redfern), Ward (Leichhardt), Forest (University), Martin (Waloughby), W Browne (Newtown), Etherington (Willoughby), Paul (Annandale), F. Nutting (Manly). Mr. T. H. Clouston, manager.

A combined borough team will meet Wollongong on the 18th instant, as an early match on the Sports Ground prior to the big match.

Two second-grade teams will visit the country centres, one chosen from the first five clubs in the competition, and the other from the second five clubs in the competition.

A combined borough team will meet a combined second-grade team on July 11, prior to the Queensland v. New South Wales match on the Agricultural Ground.

The Balmain district team will visit Gundagai on the 25th instant, and the Glebe and South Sydney teams will have a trip to Orange and Wollongong.

The borough selectors meet to-night to pick the borough team for the 4th instant.

The majority of the country players will reach Sydney to-day. The teams have made their quarters as follows:—Grafton Union, Great Southern Hotel, Upper George-street; Lithgow-Hartley, Cambridge Club Hotel, Oxford-street; South-Western, the Grand View Hotel, Hampton Terrace, Petersham Districts, Grand Central Hotel, Clarence-street; Macquarie, Petty's Hotel, York-street; Berrima-Camden, Star Hotel, Lower Gerge-street; Northern Border, Coffee Palace Hotel, Domain; Northern Branch, Occidental Hotel, York-street.

AUSTRALIAN RULES.

The Paddington Club is sending a team to Waltsend on Saturday to play the local team, which is leading in the Southern Districts competition. The team will leave Redfern by the 9.3 train on Saturday morning, and will be accompanied by several of the club's vice-presidents, is as follows:—Goalkeeper, Hall; backs, Hall, Ellis, and Matthews; Malcolm, Chamberlain, Turner, Howarth, Lewis, Alexander, Dyer, Marshall, Coleman, O'Grady, Quirk, and Dooley. All matches have been put off at Maitland, Newcastle, and Queanbeyan, the available players of other teams to witness the match. Great credit is due to the Paddington Club for its enterprise in sending up north a team to further the interests of the game.

QUEENSLAND COUNTRY WEEK.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The third series of football matches in connection with the country week promoted by the Queensland Rugby Union took place this afternoon on the Exhibition Ground in splendid weather prevailed, and there was a large attendance. The Central team, representing Rockhampton and Mount Morgan, beat the Southern team, representing Bundaberg, Maryborough, and Gympie, by 13 points to 10 after a very exciting game. The Western districts, representing Ipswich, Toowoomba, and Warwick, then played the Northern team, representing Charters Towers and Ravenswood. This was a splendid game, the sides being evenly matched. North scored towards the close of the first half, the interval found the scores level. No success alon, neither being converted. The Western team ultimately won by 6 points to 5 after the best game of the series.

PORBES, Thursday.

Yesterday Parkes and Forbes played a draw.

WALLERAWANG, Thursday.

The football match yesterday, Lithgow versus Wallerawang, was won by Wallerawang by 11 points to 3.

ATHLETICS.

WOOD-CHOPPING CONTESTS.

WOLLONGONG, Thursday.

The carnival which was commenced on Tuesday at the Catarract Water Works was brought to a conclusion on Saturday in the presence of a large crowd of spectators who evidenced the greatest interest in the proceedings. The out for underhand champion chop, wherein the brothers, J. W. and Casper Heckenberg, were pitted against F. Jenkins and E. R. Terry, who had previously won the champion standing blocks on Tuesday, was very interesting. J. Heckenberg winning, whilst his brother Casper just beat Terry for second place. Following are the results of Saturday's work:—

Handicap Underhand Chop.—Final: Minnett, £1, 1; F. Jenkins, 10s, 2.

Champion Underhand Chop.—J. Heckenberg, £3, 1; Casper Heckenberg, £2, 2; H. F. Terry, 3.

Champion Single-handed Sawing.—E. R. Terry, £3, 1; Casper Heckenberg, £2, 2.

Champion Double-handed Sawing.—J. Fritz and E. Heckenberg, £3, 1; Casper and J. W. Heckenberg, £2, 2.

Handicap Single-handed Sawing.—Thos. Fritz, 5 secs, £1, 1; West Loveday, 6 secs., 10s, 2.

As an outcome of the carnival a match has been arranged between J. W. Heckenberg and E. R Terry to out, on July 25, at Catarract, for £50 a side, 18in. standing blocks. The prizes won were paid over at Hickey's Royal Hotel, Appin, on Saturday evening. It is intended to hold a £5 chop at Hogan's Hotel, Campbelltown, on Saturday, July 11.

BOWLS.

PETERSHAM CLUB.

This club completed another year's existence on Tuesday and the members have cause to be gratified at the record attained. In addition to winning the principal prize of the association, including the Pennant, the R Proby, the Rawson Challenge Cup, and the individual championship, it has done well in the inter-club friendly matches. This position is the more creditable from the fact that the club has given a large number of its members opportunity to attain distinction in the position of captain. The club has almost 100 members, and 26 of them have played as captain in club contests. From July 1 of last year to the starting of the season's pennant competition the club had played 31 friendly matches, of which 15 were won and 16 lost. This result was mainly due to the fact that new members and others not in the highest grade of the club's bowlers were given an opportunity, it being the committee's policy to make all members competent to take their places in the various league competitions. To this in all probability is due the club's success in the competitions.

BILLIARDS.

TATTERSALL'S CLUB TOURNAMENT.

Mr. P. Gleaster has issued the following handicaps for the above tournament:—

W. Lyons, owns 75; *Charlie, 40; *Bassini, 35; T. Stanes, 10; W. Forsyth, J. H. Marsden, W. Pearson, *Opitzenlie, scr.; M. J. Mooney, receives 10; P. Glenister, 20; *Maddiffe, W. Dear, 55; *Sam T. Holden, 90; A. D. Robinson, J. Hackett, 55; *Eggerling, 40; *Shoebrook, 45; A. T. Cohen, 50; L. J. Osborne, J. J. Smith, E. H. Cutler, *Bondborough, 50; Heaugan, 60; T. Hardman, D. Melville, 45; P. Bourke, B. J. Booth, *Stanley, 70; *Waverley, 75; M. Dawson, *A. Fuller, *Tivoli, 80; J. Hanson, E. J. Hanson, 85; Mr. Page, *Ohiamoona, 90; *Junius, Colin Smith, 95; J. Davis, W. J. Day, J. Bowling, W. J. Morris, 100; J. Wangvolbeim, *Physic, 105; A. Mills, W. G. Bateman, J. Sharpe, W. R. Forrest, 110; Miller, *R. C. C. Oxnirs, *Colebrook, W. Kelso, M. Barrington, J. Edwards, *J. R. Risby, 115; J. A. Beales, F. M'Grath, *Angelo, 120; *Enmo, M. Hall, 125; *Mosman, Mr. Kinsane, A. Thompson, W. Hunter, 125; F. Hill, J. W. C. Hunter, A. E. Gurwell, *Medlow, *Gerringong, 130; Joe Lesk, H. Thorpe, 135; Lonsdale, A. Lee, A. W. Josephson, J. C. Wood, *Coolgardie, J. Wall, R. Marsden, 140; G. Barnett, E. J. Wangenheim, J. Capgard, 145; *Hazard, 150; G. D. Wood, 155; M. R. Cranney, 165. Limit, 200.

THE MARKERS' TOURNAMENT.

The first round in the above was concluded last night, E. J. Campbell, owns 23, won by forfeit from *Bongebah, rec. 200; A. Simpson, rec. 215, won by forfeit from *Hazard, rec. 240.

The draw for the second round resulted as follows:—July 3: C. Watt, rec. 205, v. A. Thompson, rec. 215; *Madigan, rec. 240, v. Hunden, rec. 240; July 6: C. Foster, rec. 230, v. A. Osborne, rec. 210; J. Wyhowski, rec. 205, v. *Harry, rec. 220. July 7: *Hall, rec. 275 v. W. T. Rec, rec. 230; J. Reid, rec. 205, v. E. G. Anderson, rec. 205. July 8: *Hambala, rec. 260, v. *Corrimal, rec. 270; E. J. Campbell, owns 25, v. W. J. Smith, rec. 225. July 9: A. Bierman, rec. 210, v. *Woonona, rec. 205; *Alwood, rec. 210, v. D. Fraser, rec. 255. July 10: *Sir J. Banks, rec. 255, v. G. Boall, rec. 220; E. James, owns 50, v. J. Smith, owns 25. July 13: *A.J.S., rec. 240, v. J. Hunter, rec. 230; *Kingsbury, rec. 310, v. *Bonaroo, rec. 275. July 14: J. Heuerie, rec. 210, v. G. Hawkins, rec. 205; C. Weller, rec. 220, v. *Alta, rec. 200. July 15: *Punk, rec. 205, v. W. Forbes, rec. 260.

*Assumed names.

THE PRESS TOURNAMENT.

Entries close to-morrow for the press tournament. Nominations may be forwarded to members of the committee, Messrs. A. H. Gregory ("Sydney Morning Herald"), J. Burke ("Referee"), and G. Wynne ("Daily Telegraph").

THE GUN.

CONDOBOLIN, Thursday.

The fortnightly meeting of the Condobolin Gun Club was held yesterday in the Condobolin station paddock. The attendance was good and there were plenty of birds. Three sweeps were shot off. The first, a four-bird sweep, was divided between John Opsy and W. Muir. The second, a two-bird rise, was divided between D. H. Tasker, jun., T. A. Gabriel, and J. Stranger. The third, a one-bird rise, was divided between J. H. Richards and John Opsy.

THE PROTECTION OF FISH.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I thought we had seen the last of the communications from the Angling Fisheries Association on the above subject, but, apparently, it required three of its members to use their combined efforts with a view of shaking the stability of the Fisheries Board. These three gentlemen should have compared notes prior to the publication of their letters, so that they could not be completely out of the running for good shuffy merino wools should be such a glaring example of the inconsistencies shown. Perhaps it would be better in future that they should discuss these matters between themselves before committing anything to paper. I cannot but feel astonished at the attempt that is being made by your correspondents, S. Macdonnell and O. Thackeray, to misrepresent the Fisheries Board and its actions in administering the Act. Surely neither is disappointed at not being chosen to act upon the Board; if not, why is a persistent effort made to belittle the members of the Board by flinging all sorts of things that have not taken place?

These gentlemen speak with little authority upon fisheries matters. We have a properly constituted Board to speak through its chairman, and in replying to extravagant and foundationless charges made by your correspondents I speak for the Board as well as myself, and if there is any member of that body that does not endorse my reply to my statements he may do so, but so far each and every member of the Board has backed me up in the matter, despite the fact that some people would delight in importing dissension amongst us.

The Board was be pleased to receive information from all and sundry at all times, but the inquiries of any association, whether amateur or professional, and it has the strength to withstand the dictation of people who are lead mouthed, and who are nowise in respect to a general knowledge of our fisheries.

The board has only been in existence three months, and hence we are young in our seats matters, and we have people making attacks as our admission that we are ignorant of matters in a light quite opposed to the real facts. I think the board has outstands sufficiently well without troubling Mr. Macdonnell to advise them it would be better if he made himself acquainted with the habits and as to what are inland waters before committing himself to such ridiculous statements. He has got completely mixed as to the fisheries he wishes to protect, and makes a bold assertion that the bream and whiting are being injured. He also ventures to inform us that the black bream and red bream do not increase as rapidly as they should, as arrived at a certain stage of growth, and takes the board to task for issuing

THE WINGS OF THE MORNING.

AN ISLAND ROMANCE.

BY LOUIS TRACY.

CHAPTER XVI.—Continued.

Oddly enough the baronet did not seek to discuss with them the legal-looking document affixed near the cave. It cancelled all rights in the island to their joint names, and this was a topic he wished to avoid. For the time, therefore, the younger man had no opportunity of taking him into his confidence, and Iris held faithfully to her promise of silence.

The girl's ragged raiment, sou'-wester and *strong* boots were already packed away on board. She now rescued the dibbled copy of Tennyson's poems, the battered tin cup, her revolver, and the Lee-Metford which "scared" the Dyaks nearly as nearly caught Anstruther and Mir Jan napping. Robert also gathered for her an assortment of Dyak hats, belts, and arms, including Taung S'Ali's parang and a sumpitan. These were her trophies, the spolia opima of the campaign.

Its concluding act was to pack two of the empty oil tins with all the valuable lumps of auriferous quartz he could find where he shot the rubbish from the cave beneath the trees. On top of these he placed some antimony ore, and Mir Jan, wondering why the sahib wanted the stuff, carried the consignment to the waiting boat. Lieutenant Plaxton in command of the last party of sailors to quit the island, evidently expected Mir Jan to accompany them, but Anstruther explained that the man would await his return, some time in June or July.

Sir Arthur Deane found himself speculating on the cause of this extraordinary resolve, but steadfast to his policy of avoiding controversial matters, said nothing. A few words to the captain procured enough stores to keep the Mahomedan for six months at least, and whilst these were being landed, the question was raised how best to dispose of the Dyaks.

The commander wished to consult the convenience of his guests.

"If we go a little out of our way and land them in Borneo," he said, "they will be hanged without troubling you further. If I take them to Singapore they will be tried on your evidence and sent to penal servitude. Which is it to be?"

It was Iris who decided.

"I cannot bear to think of more lives being sacrificed," she protested. "Perhaps if these men are treated mercifully and sent to their homes after some punishment their example may serve as a deterrent to others."

So it was settled that way. The anchor rattled up to its berth and the Orient turned her head towards Singapore. As she steadily passed away into the deepening azure, the girl and her lover watched the familiar outlines of Rainbow Island growing dim in the evening light. For long while they could see Mir Jan's tall thin figure motionless on a rock at the extremity of Europa Point. Their hut, the reef, the ledge, came into view as the cruiser swung round to a more northerly course. Then the mainmast intervened, and her father's shoulders. The three were left alone just then, and they were silent for many minutes. At last, the flying miles merged the solitary palm beyond the lagoon with the foliage on the cliff. The white cleft of Prospect Hill was less distinct. Mir Jan's white-clothed figure was lost in the dark background. The island was becoming vague, dream-like, a blurred memory.

"Robert," said the girl devoutly, "God has been very good to us."

"Yes," he replied. "I was thinking, even this instant, of the verse that is carved on the gate of the Memorial Well at Cawnpore. 'These are they which came out of great tribulation.' We, too, have come out of great tribulation, happily with our lives—and memories of decrees of fate are indeed inscrutable."

Iris turned to him a face roseate with loving comprehension.

"Do you remember this hour yesterday?" she murmured—"how we suffered from thirst—how the Dyaks began their second attack from the ridge—how you climbed down the ladder and I followed you? Oh father, darling," she went on impulsively, tightening her grasp, "you will never know how brave he was, how ruthless, how he risked all and was and cheered me to the end, even though she end seemed to be the grave."

"I think I am beginning to understand now," answered the shipowner, averting his eyes lest Iris should see the tears in them. Their history was ended; they thought—was it for him to lead them again through the sorrowful way? It was a heartrending task that lay before him, a task from which his soul revolted. He refused even to attempt it. He sought forgetfulness in a species of mental fascination, and commenced his daughter's love idyll with such apparent approval that Lord Ventnor wondered whether Sir Arthur was not suffering from senile decay.

The explanation of the shipowner's position was painfully simple. Being a daring yet shrewd financier he perceived in the troubled condition of the Far East a magnificent opportunity to consolidate the trading influence of his company. He negotiated two big loans, one, of a semi-private nature, to equip docks and railways in the chief maritime province of China, the other of a more public character, with the Government of Japan. All his own resources, together with those of his principal directors and shareholders, were devoted to these objects. Contemporaneously, he determined to stop paying heavy insurance premiums on his fleet and make it self-supporting on the well-known mutual principle.

His vessels were well equipped, well manned, replete with every modern improvement, and managed with great commercial skill. In three or four years, given ordinary trading luck, he must have doubled his own fortune and earned a world-wide reputation for far-seeing sagacity.

No sooner were all his arrangements completed than three of his best ships went down, saddling his company with an absolute loss of nearly £600,000 and seriously undermining his financial credit. A fellow-director, wealthy and influential, resigned his seat on the board, and headed a clique of disappointed stockholders. At once the fair sky became overcast. A sound and magnificent speculation threatened to dissolve in the Bankruptcy Court.

Sir Arthur Deane's energy and financial skill might have enabled him to weather this unexpected gale were it not for the apparent loss of the beloved daughter with the crack ship of his line. Half-frenzied with grief, he bade his enemies do their worst, and allowed his affairs to get into hopeless confusion whilst he devoted himself wholly to the search for Iris and her companions. At this critical juncture Lord Ventnor again reached his side. His lordship possessed a large private fortune and extensive estates. He was prudent withal, and knew how admirably the shipowner's plans would develop if given the necessary time. He offered the use of his name and money. He more than filled the gap created by the hostile ex-director. People argued that such a clever man, just returning from the Far East after accomplishing a public mission of some importance, must be a reliable guide. The mere cabled intelligence of his intention to join the board restored confidence and credit.

But—there was a bargain. If Iris lived, she must become the Countess of Ventnor. His lordship was weary of peripatetic love-making. It was high time he settled down and took an interest in the legislature, and achieved a position in the world of affairs. He had a chance now. The certain success of his friend's project, the fortunate completion of his own diplomatic undertaking, marriage with a beautiful and charming woman—these items would consolidate his career. If Iris were not available, plenty of women, high-placed in society, would accept such an eligible bachelor. But his heart was set on Iris. She was bonnet, high-principled, pure in body and mind, and none prizes these essentials in a wife more than a worn-out roue.

He seized the first opportunity that presented itself to make Sir Arthur Deane acquainted with a decision already ordained by the unfortunate shipowner. Iris must either abandon her infatuation for Anstruther or bring about the ruin of her father. There was no mean.

"If she declines to become Countess of Ventnor, she can marry whom she likes, as you will be all paupers together," was the Earl's caustic summing up.

This brutal argument rather overshot the mark. The shipowner's face flushed with anger, and Lord Ventnor hastened to retrieve a false step.

"I didn't exactly mean to put it that way, Deane, but my temper is a little short these days. My position on board this ship is intolerable. As a matter of fair dealing to me, you should put a stop to your daughter's attitude towards Anstruther, on the ground that her engagement is neither approved of by you nor desirable under any consideration."

(To be continued).

ELECTRIC POWER.

DEVELOPMENTS IN SYDNEY.

AN INCREASING DEMAND.

CITY COUNCIL'S SCHEME.

(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER).

The part that electricity already plays in the material progress of our civilisation is such an important and varied one that even a superficial acquaintance with the subject is sufficient to justify the conviction that the sphere of electrical utility is far from exhausted. We reap the benefit of this wonderful force in our cable and telegraph services, in our tramway system, and in its lighting power. These are directions in which its value is so pronounced as to arrest the attention of the most unobservant. But in contemplating its wonderful achievements the application of it in the minor parts of industrial progress is easily overlooked. We know to what extent it has superseded gas, and the conversion of our tramway system has taught us its superiority to steam as a motive power. But how many of us know that in factories and workshops of all kinds in all parts of the world it is taking the place of steam, and is found to be more efficient and more economical. No machinery is too massive for it to drive, and none is too delicate.

The demand for electric power has grown very rapidly of late years in all civilised countries. Here in Sydney it has to be acknowledged that we are a good deal behind other centres in the Northern Hemisphere, yet the president of the Electrical Association of New South Wales (Mr. J. R. W. Gardam) was able to state in his annual address last April that no less than 2,500,000 units were used last year for private lighting and power in Sydney, and one of the city electric supply companies had increased its output 45 per cent. in the 12 months. When the City Council's electric power-house for lighting the streets and supplying private demands is established it may be expected to result in an increase of the demand generally, but since the Act was passed six years ago empowering the council to undertake this work the private companies in the city have been compelled to adopt a conservative policy. The five chief companies have expended a capital of over £130,000, and supply a total of 2400 horse-power. But with the council scheme likely to take actual shape at any time, they have not endeavoured to awaken a demand for electric power beyond a certain area of the city in the prospect of an increased demand being sufficient to justify the cost of lengthy connections, but have kept to what is known as paying loads.

MOTIVE POWER.

Electricity as a motive power is superseding steam, gas, oil, and air. It is claimed to be more efficient, more economical, and more cleanly. In Sydney it is already extensively used in clothing factories, boot factories, bag factories, flour mills, and in driving printing presses. It is also used by dentists, opticians, jewellers, engravers, cutters, bookbinders, carpenters, and others. The most constant demand for electricity is in the direction of motive power. The man who sets up in business in these days finds that it is not necessary to go to the expense of purchasing a steam plant in order to drive his machinery. He can get his electric power supplied to him without any further expenditure than the payment for what he uses. The delay in getting up steam is dispensed with, for he can turn his power on or off when he likes. Naturally large factories already fitted up with steam plants are reluctant to discard them for electricity, but it seems inevitable that the time will come when they must do so. One factory in the city has already done so, and the result is claimed to have effected a saving of over 50 per cent. in the cost of his driving power. One of the chief objections to steam in driving machinery is the enormous loss of power where much shafting is used. In some cases it is estimated to be 60 per cent. while electric power would do the same work with a loss of only 10 per cent. Take as an instance the amount of power that would be necessary to drive with steam the machinery on the top story of a factory, while the rest of the plant was lying idle. Some hundreds of feet of shafting would be running in the various stories, while with electricity the power would be instantly turned on to the particular machinery required. Moreover, the workman would be in a position to increase or decrease the speed as he wished.

An interesting exhibition of electric motive power is supplied on the application to the four level sewerage scheme of the city. Instead of having steam pumping plants at various localities electric motors have been used to drive the pumps. As a result there is a considerable economy in the cost of supervision, the only staff maintained being that at the head controlling station with which all the motors are connected. Electricity is also employed for the purpose of indicating at the controlling station the condition of the tanks. When one is nearly full the electric pump is started. The tanks are connected by telephone with the station, and by this means it can be ascertained whether the pumps are working properly. When the tanks are inspected an indicator tells the controlling station which tank the inspector is at as soon as he puts his foot on the ladder, and the current can if necessary be cut off.

The Sewer and Sewerage Board can point to another example of the practical application of electricity. During last year, when the supply of water in the Prospect reservoir brought the residents of Sydney to the threshold of a water famine, the board made energetic endeavours to supplement the supply in every possible way. One of these schemes was the pumping of a supply at Moungle from the Nepean into the canal. A 500 horse-power electric plant was erected capable of delivering 750 tons of water per hour, or nearly 4,000,000 gallons a day. The plant proved to be most successful, but the need of this increased water supply disappeared with the return of general rain, and the machinery has been idle during the past few months.

Electricity is taking the place of hydraulic power, especially in regard to lifts. In America electric lifts are in very extensive use, but it is only within the last few years that they have been introduced in Sydney. Now there are some forty running, and the demand is on the increase. There is an enormous economy of power in the electric lift as compared with the hydraulic, and therefore a considerable saving in rates. The hydraulic lift requires 15 times the expenditure of power to take it to the top of a building when the load is light as when it is heavy. But the electric lift expends no more than the required amount of energy. It will lift ten persons or one as the case may be, but an entirely different quantity of power is required in each case. As the proprietor pays only for as much electricity as he uses there is room for considerable saving in cost. It is said that an electric lift can be worked on an average at one-quarter of the expense of any other.

LIGHTING AND OTHER PURPOSES.

There is an increasing demand for electric lighting throughout the city. It can be procured at a moderate cost, and has the advantages of greater efficiency and cleanliness over all other forms of light. It does not burn up the oxygen in the air, and therefore can be used continuously without affecting the purity of the atmosphere in a room. Burning no exposed flame it is safer than any other light, and can be used without danger in a dynamite factory, while its intensity can be fixed at anything between one candle-power and 1200. So far its use in Sydney has been chiefly confined to offices, shops, hotels, and factories, there being only a few private houses fitted up with it. This is due to the fact that the connections of the city companies do not extend into the suburbs. Redfern is the only suburb which has a supply, the power of electricity, and there about one hundred houses are connected with the Redfern council's supply. The electric light lends itself to the production of artistic decorative effects. It can be placed in any position and reduced to any size, and for those reasons it has frequently been brought into play in connection with table decorations. Several large residences within the city limits have been fitted up with electric light in a very artistic manner. When electricity is available in the residential suburbs a large increase in the demand for a lighting supply may be expected.

For heating purposes electricity has not come into extensive use, but it has several advantages over exposed fires. The air does not become vitiated, as none of the oxygen is consumed. The degree of heat can be regulated, and the electric radiator can be moved about in order to warm any part of the room. But no means of converting electricity into heat economically has yet been found. When such a discovery is made electricity will doubtless supersede other forms of heat for cooking purposes. At present it is used for cooking in only a very limited degree. The cost of generation is such that it does not taint the food, as is the case with exposed fires. As, however, the latter defect is one that the general public are not aware of, electricity will have to add the advantage of economy before it can take the place of our present means of cooking.

As an aid to ventilation the use of electricity is familiar to us all. Electric fans are to be seen everywhere in the summer months, and in closely-packed audiences form a distinct contribution to public comfort.

MUNICIPAL SUPPLIES.

Municipal electric supplies exist in Young, Tamworth, Penrith, and Redfern. The Redfern supply has been in existence about 11 years, and has created a considerable demand for electric power in that suburb. It supplies a total of 270 horse-power, only 50 per cent. of which is used for street lighting. The rest is used for private lighting and motive power in driving the machinery in hat factories, boot factories, clothing factories, and various kinds of workshops. In Redfern, as in the city, the demand for motive power is on the increase, but the council's plant will be sufficient to meet all requirements for some time. It is capable of supplying 350 horse power, but though the present demand is for 270 horse power, it never at any one time reaches 180. This is due to the fact that the motive power is required chiefly in the day, and the lighting power at night.

It is expected that the realisation of the City Council's scheme of electric lighting will see a very considerable increase in the demand for electricity. The work is now being proceeded with, and it is hoped that April, 1904, will see it completed. The Act authorises the expenditure of £250,000 on the work, and the present scheme is expected to reach somewhere in the neighbourhood of £180,000, although the primary purpose is to light the city streets only about 500 horse power will be required for that object. The remainder will be used to meet the private demand for motive power and private lighting. Mr. Hooke, the city electrical engineer, is hopeful that business men will not be long in discovering that electricity provides the cheapest driving power. As the council can under its Act provide street and private lighting in the suburbs under arrangement with the suburban councils it will doubtless not be long before suburban residents will have the opportunity of using the electric light in their homes. When the present scheme is completed there will be about 1300 horse power available to meet private demands after providing for the street lamps. This, however, is a very modest beginning in comparison with what the council is prepared to undertake. The plant can be increased to supply 25,000 horse power. It is not yet determined at what price the power will be supplied, but it will probably be fixed at 2d a unit for motive power and 4½d for lighting. The difference arises from the fact that a great deal less will be used for lighting than motive power, and 2d a unit for lighting would not pay the cost of supplying the electricity in those instances where it was used solely for that purpose. Large firms and factories using it for both motive power and lighting will be supplied at a uniform rate, provided their demand exceeds a certain fixed quantity.

THE SUBURBS.

MANLY.

The power of the Manly Council to assess for rating purposes that portion of the passenger wharf which lies within high-water mark has for some time been disputed by the Port Jackson Co-operative S.S. Company. The question has now been amicably settled. At the last meeting of the council the company, by its solicitor (Mr. Mark Mitchell), admitted the council's claim and paid £48 10s in full satisfaction of all rates to February next.

The Manly School of Arts committee has received from Mr. A. Learmonth a valuable donation of books.

NEWTOWN.

At a meeting of the Newtown Council on Tuesday evening the following resolution, moved by Alderman Smith, was carried,—"That a deputation of the whole council be appointed to wait upon the Railway Commissioners to ask that an overhead foot bridge be erected across the railway line, from Station-street, at its intersection with Crescent-street, to Bedford-street, to connect North Kingston ward, Enmore, with the city, giving direct access to the numerous places of worship on the one side and business places on the other."

PADDINGTON.

The Mayor (Alderman W. H. Howard) at a recent meeting of the council submitted a lengthy minute respecting certain work in course of completion in Oatley-road. The minute stated that in view of the state of the council's finances it was undesirable that the overdraft should be increased. He therefore proposed to cease certain work that was being done in Oatley-road, and for the remainder of the year to carry out only such work upon the streets as should be found absolutely necessary. At the last meeting of the council the minute was discussed. The Mayor said the council would shortly be called upon to face the question of re-blocking Oxford-street. He thought that the train upon the tramway system of the borough—entailed by the payment of interest—would compel them before long either to levy special rates, or, if the new Municipalities Bill became law, to increase the general rate. Alderman C. W. Oakes, M.L.A., referred to the fact that when he entered the council the overdraft was £9000, now it was £14,000. He previously pointed out that the council was going behind at the rate of £1200 per annum. They proceeded more slowly for a while, but had again gone on carrying out large works as previously. It was likely soon to be found necessary to secure much more money, in the shape of endowment, from the Government; so that they were dealing with a decrease in revenue and an increase in charges. The revenue of the borough was about £8000 from general rates; of this amount nearly £3300 was being paid for interest upon loans and overdrafts. They were consequently going to the bad to the extent of about £1500 per annum. They would have either to obtain fresh revenue or lower their expenses.

Further discussion followed, at the conclusion of which the Mayor stated that the road referred to would be left in a passable condition, and the minute was adopted.

PETERSHAM.

The Petersham Benevolent Society held its committee meeting in the local Town Hall on Tuesday, June 30. The relief roll showed that 22 families were being assisted weekly. A donation of £1 6s was forwarded from the Petersham Junior Cricket Club concert. Subscriptions were handed in amounting to £5 5s 6d. Accounts were passed for payment amounting to £11 6s 6d. The annual supply of blankets forwarded by the Government had been received and were being distributed amongst the most needy.

RANDWICK.

The Mayor (Alderman George Gale) has, during the past two or three council meetings, taken occasion to refer to the attitude of the Waverley Council in regard to certain works on streets that divide the two boroughs. At the meeting of the council on Tuesday night the Mayor said there were certain works that had been carried out jointly by the two boroughs, payment for which had not yet been made by the Waverley Council. The Mayor further said it was his intention to forward details of these works to the Waverley Council in the hope that payment would follow. The minute evoked considerable discussion, and at the conclusion the minute was unanimously adopted.

AUSTRALIAN NATIVES' ASSOCIATION.

WATTLE BRANCH (No. 22).

At the half-yearly meeting of the "Wattle" Branch, No. 22, held on Tuesday last, the following office-bearers were elected:—President, Mr. A. D. Nelson, M.L.A.; vice-president, James M'Donald; secretary, J. H. Carden; treasurer and assistant secretary, L. J. Manning; committee, Messrs. Briscoe, Brocksteuve, M'Coy, Neilsen, and Perry; while the syllabus committee were Messrs. Cole, Hardy, and Scanlan. Messrs. H. Smith and J. L. Stephens were elected auditors.

THE ARGENTINE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—We have lately been hearing a great deal of the wonderful attractions presented to graziers and agriculturists by that fertile land, the Argentine. Enterprising young men, drawn by the glowing accounts they see and hear, are turning their attention to that country.

To show the true state of affairs that obtains in this much belauded land of promise, the following facts have been carefully collated from the "Statesman Year Book of 1902"—its first year of publication:—The country being a republic in the hands of Spaniards the Government is doing its best to attract the muscle and money of the outside world. To a great extent it is succeeding, mainly through immigration. To draw the poorer classes the Government has erected a hotel for the use and convenience of immigrants, every immigrant on producing proof of good conduct and fitness for the particular occupation he may desire to follow being lodged and fed in the country with board and lodging at Government expense for five days. In case of serious illness the hospitality is extended till the patient's recovery. That this policy has its effect is evident from the fact that during 1901 the number of immigrants amounted to 160,862. In the 44 years from 1857 to 1900 inclusive, the total number of immigrants is 4,953,077. Of these 1,105,930 were Italians, 361,679 were exiled from Spain, 162,636 from France, and only 34,051 were Britishers.

The financial condition of a country is what generally gives the best insight into its state of prosperity. The financial condition of the Argentine is not altogether an enviable one. We in this State are accustomed to getting up steam without "with, for he can turn his power on or off when he likes. Naturally large factories already fitted up with steam plants are reluctant to discard them for electricity, but it seems inevitable that the time will come when they must do so. One factory in the city has already done so, and the result is claimed to have effected a saving of over 50 per cent. in the cost of his driving power. One of the chief objections to steam in driving machinery is the enormous loss of power where much shafting is used. In some cases it is estimated to be 60 per cent. while electric power would do the same work with a loss of only 10 per cent. Take as an instance the amount of power that would be necessary to drive with steam the machinery on the top story of a factory, while the rest of the plant was lying idle. Some hundreds of feet of shafting would be running in the various stories, while with electricity the power would be instantly turned on to the particular machinery required. Moreover, the workman would be in a position to increase or decrease the speed as he wished.

An interesting exhibition of electric motive power is supplied on the application to the four level sewerage scheme of the city. Instead of having steam pumping plants at various localities electric motors have been used to drive the pumps. As a result there is a considerable economy in the cost of supervision, the only staff maintained being that at the head controlling station with which all the motors are connected. Electricity is also employed for the purpose of indicating at the controlling station the condition of the tanks. When one is nearly full the electric pump is started. The tanks are connected by telephone with the station, and by this means it can be ascertained whether the pumps are working properly. When the tanks are inspected an indicator tells the controlling station which tank the inspector is at as soon as he puts his foot on the ladder, and the current can if necessary be cut off.

The Sewer and Sewerage Board can point to another example of the practical application of electricity. During last year, when the supply of water in the Prospect reservoir brought the residents of Sydney to the threshold of a water famine, the board made energetic endeavours to supplement the supply in every possible way. One of these schemes was the pumping of a supply at Moungle from the Nepean into the canal. A 500 horse-power electric plant was erected capable of delivering 750 tons of water per hour, or nearly 4,000,000 gallons a day. The plant proved to be most successful, but the need of this increased water supply disappeared with the return of general rain, and the machinery has been idle during the past few months.

Electricity is taking the place of hydraulic power, especially in regard to lifts. In America electric lifts are in very extensive use, but it is only within the last few years that they have been introduced in Sydney. Now there are some forty running, and the demand is on the increase. There is an enormous economy of power in the electric lift as compared with the hydraulic, and therefore a considerable saving in rates. The hydraulic lift requires 15 times the expenditure of power to take it to the top of a building when the load is light as when it is heavy. But the electric lift expends no more than the required amount of energy. It will lift ten persons or one as the case may be, but an entirely different quantity of power is required in each case. As the proprietor pays only for as much electricity as he uses there is room for considerable saving in cost. It is said that an electric lift can be worked on an average at one-quarter of the expense of any other.

LIGHTING AND OTHER PURPOSES.

There is an increasing demand for electric lighting throughout the city. It can be procured at a moderate cost, and has the advantages of greater efficiency and cleanliness over all other forms of light. It does not burn up the oxygen in the air, and therefore can be used continuously without affecting the purity of the atmosphere in a room. Burning no exposed flame it is safer than any other light, and can be used without danger in a dynamite factory, while its intensity can be fixed at anything between one candle-power and 1200. So far its use in Sydney has been chiefly confined to offices, shops, hotels, and factories, there being only a few private houses fitted up with it. This is due to the fact that the connections of the city companies do not extend into the suburbs. Redfern is the only suburb which has a supply, the power of electricity, and there about one hundred houses are connected with the Redfern council's supply. The electric light lends itself to the production of artistic decorative effects. It can be placed in any position and reduced to any size, and for those reasons it has frequently been brought into play in connection with table decorations. Several large residences within the city limits have been fitted up with electric light in a very artistic manner. When electricity is available in the residential suburbs a large increase in the demand for a lighting supply may be expected.

For heating purposes electricity has not come into extensive use, but it has several advantages over exposed fires. The air does not become vitiated, as none of the oxygen is consumed. The degree of heat can be regulated, and the electric radiator can be moved about in order to warm any part of the room. But no means of converting electricity into heat economically has yet been found. When such a discovery is made electricity will doubtless supersede other forms of heat for cooking purposes. At present it is used for cooking in only a very limited degree. The cost of generation is such that it does not taint the food, as is the case with exposed fires. As, however, the latter defect is one that the general public are not aware of, electricity will have to add the advantage of economy before it can take the place of our present means of cooking.

As an aid to ventilation the use of electricity is familiar to us all. Electric fans are to be seen everywhere in the summer months, and in closely-packed audiences form a distinct contribution to public comfort.

MUNICIPAL SUPPLIES.

Municipal electric supplies exist in Young, Tamworth, Penrith, and Redfern. The Redfern supply has been in existence about 11 years, and has created a considerable demand for electric power in that suburb. It supplies a total of 270 horse-power, only 50 per cent. of which is used for street lighting. The rest is used for private lighting and motive power in driving the machinery in hat factories, boot factories, clothing factories, and various kinds of workshops. In Redfern, as in the city, the demand for motive power is on the increase, but the council's plant will be sufficient to meet all requirements for some time. It is capable of supplying 350 horse power, but though the present demand is for 270 horse power, it never at any one time reaches 180. This is due to the fact that the motive power is required chiefly in the day, and the lighting power at night.

It is expected that the realisation of the City Council's scheme of electric lighting will see a very considerable increase in the demand for electricity. The work is now being proceeded with, and it is hoped that April, 1904, will see it completed. The Act authorises the expenditure of £250,000 on the work, and the present scheme is expected to reach somewhere in the neighbourhood of £180,000, although the primary purpose is to light the city streets only about 500 horse power will be required for that object. The remainder will be used to meet the private demand for motive power and private lighting. Mr. Hooke, the city electrical engineer,

LAW REPORT.

THURSDAY, JULY 2.

BANCO COURT.

(Before the Acting Chief Justice and a jury of four.)

A DISPUTE AMONG CHINESE.

CHARGE OF MALICIOUS PROSECUTION.

Lee Leong v. Hoe.

Mr. Shand, instructed by Mr. J. W. Abigail, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Gannon and Mr. Peckham, instructed by Messrs. Gannon and Son, for defendant. This was an action brought by Lee Leong against John Hoe to recover compensation for alleged false and malicious prosecution in regard to a statement made by plaintiff in the interpleader action of Hoe v. Lee on March 4 last. The case for the plaintiff has already been given.

Defendant pleaded not guilty. Witnesses were called on behalf of the plaintiff to prove that his statement during the interpleader action as to defendant being at Hop War's store on a certain occasion, and what transpired there, was true.

The defendant gave evidence in reply that on the date referred to by plaintiff he was engaged at his cabinet factory at Waterloo, and was not at Hop War's store at all. He also said that he did not bear plaintiff any ill-will whatever, and that he did not know him prior to the interpleader action. In cross-examination he admitted that the bill of sale given by Lee Hing and O'Young on behalf of the Tung Wah Newspaper Company was registered on the day that the verdict in the libel action was given.

George Wallace, solicitor, said that David O'Young, who was said by plaintiff to have been with defendant at Tung Wah's store on the morning of March 5, was at the Bankruptcy Court until 1 o'clock on that day. Low Yee Hing also swore that he was not at the store with Hoe on that date.

At 4 o'clock the further hearing of the case was adjourned to the following day.

NO. 2 JURY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Pring and juries of four.)

ALLEGED BREACH OF AGREEMENT.

Magnus v. Moss.

Dr. Brissenden and Mr. Mitchell, instructed by Mr. A. Mitchell, appeared for plaintiff; Mr. H. B. O'Connor, K.C., and Mr. Boyce, instructed by Mr. E. R. Abigail, for defendant. This was an action brought by Edward Magnus to recover damages from defendant, Robert Moss, in connection with an agreement to purchase the lease, stock, and furniture of the Sydney Coffee Palace Hotel. The defendant pleaded that he did not promise as alleged, that the plaintiff was not always ready and willing to perform his part of the agreement, and that defendant was induced to make the alleged agreement by the false and fraudulent representations of the plaintiff.

It was alleged that the plaintiff arranged for the purchase of the Sydney Coffee Palace Hotel business for £650. Plaintiff was to put in £600 and defendant £300 and share the profits equally. Defendant was to put in £150 on signing the agreement, and the balance, £450, on March 1. Defendant, who brought a District Court action to recover it. That was removed to the Supreme Court by writ of certiorari, and the amount was set off against the £300, making the claim £250. Plaintiff had the license of the hotel transferred to him.

Plaintiff and Jafeudant, who had known each other for many years in Fiji, where they had been in business, came to Sydney in the same steamer on December 8, 1902. Plaintiff had £900 and defendant £400. They considered proposals to go into partnership, and each put £400 into a joint account in the bank, there was some discussion as to how the money was withdrawn. Plaintiff continued to look round for some time, when he came to the Sydney Coffee Palace Hotel, opposite the Domain. On February 28, 1903, plaintiff went to defendant, who had a grocery shop at Marrickville, and they talked the matter over. They inspected the premises, and were told the lowest price for the business was £650. Later on defendant told him he was undecided about the investment, as he was told it was not a good one. Defendant gave plaintiff at the latter's request £50 to make up £450, saying he would not be liable for the partnership. Plaintiff said if defendant refused to go on he would return the money. Defendant said if he would go into the partnership he would save and let him know. It was proposed that plaintiff should manage the providoring department, and defendant be manager. On March 4 plaintiff got a telegram from defendant saying, "Yes; but subject to conditions in letter." On March 5 plaintiff paid in £650 for the business. That evening he introduced defendant as his partner to persons in the hotel. On March 6 defendant said he wanted his £50 back, as he found he was too old and not adapted for the business. Plaintiff replied that it was impossible, and that plaintiff could not get his £600 back. Defendant said he did not care, and went away.

Plaintiff was nonsuited. His Honor pointed out that nothing was shown as to the terms of the partnership, and there was no evidence that defendant bound himself down to pay £300.

COLLISION WITH A TRAM.

Cowlng v. Railway Commissioners.

Mr. Kelynack and Mr. Boyce, instructed by Mr. S. Bloomfield, appeared for the plaintiff; Mr. Read, K.C., and Mr. C. B. Stephen, instructed by Mr. Cargill, Solicitor for Railways, for the defendant. This was an action brought by James Edward Cowling to recover £500 damages from the Railway Commissioners as the result of a collision between a colliding with a cart plaintiff was driving on the Parramatta-road. Plaintiff, who is a confectioner, was driving a two-wheeled cart with tilted cover along the tram line when a tram going in the same direction collided with the cart. The cart was upset and the plaintiff was knocked about. The defendants pleaded they were not guilty.

The case is part heard.

IN EQUITY.

(Before the Chief Judge, Mr. A. H. Simpson.)

THE PASTORAL FINANCE ASSOCIATION

The hearing of evidence in this case, particulars of which have already been published, was continued.

The case stands part heard.

VICE ADMIRALTY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Owen, Deputy Judge Commissary.)

CLAIM FOR SALVAGE.

Brown and others v. Ship Norma.

The Attorney-General (Mr. B. R. Wise, K.C.), Dr. Sly, and Mr. Broomfield, instructed by Mr. W. Lindsay Thompson, appeared for the plaintiffs; and Mr. Pilcher, K.C., and Mr. H. I. Pilcher, instructed by Messrs. Sly and Russell, for the defendants. This was an action brought by Messrs. J. and A. Brown, steam tug proprietors, against the owners of the ship Norma to recover for salvage of the vessel. The circumstances under which the claim was made have already been given. The defendants pointed out that the services rendered gave plaintiffs any claim to salvage, and submitted that they were bound by their contract.

The evidence for the plaintiffs was concluded, and the captain of the Norma being called stated that the vessel was in no serious danger when the Champion came to her assistance, and that the vessel could have safely ridden out the gale at her anchors. Corroborative evidence on this point was given and at 4 o'clock the further hearing was adjourned till the following day.

DIVORCE COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice Simpson.)

MACKAY v. MACKAY.

In the case of Duncan Forbes Mackay, grazier, v. Annie Amyl Dines Mackay (formerly Campbell) for dissolution of marriage on the ground of adultery, the reserved judgment was delivered. The parties were married at a matrimonial agency on July 29, 1899, according to the rites of the New Church of England. A decree nisi, returnable in three months, was granted.

WHITBREAD v. WHITBREAD.

In the adjourned case of Martha Halstead Whitbread (formerly Sutton) v. Charles Whitbread, divorce was sought on the ground of desertion. Mr. Windever, instructed by Mr. Jagelman, appeared for petitioner. Respondent did not appear. The parties were married at Gladesville on January 7, 1897, according to the rites of the Presbyterian Church. Petitioner had obtained a judicial separation previously, and now gave additional evidence. A decree nisi, returnable in six months, was granted, petitioner to have custody of the child.

PAGE v. PAGE.

Sarah Ann Page (formerly Martin) petitioned for a divorce from Arthur Treves Page on the ground of adultery, habitual drunkenness, and cruelty. Mr. R. W. Fraser appeared for petitioner. Mr. P. K. White, instructed by Messrs. M'Intosh and Todhunter, for respondent. A decree nisi returnable in three months was granted. Petitioner to have the custody of the two children. An order was made for the payment of 35 maintenance for each child.

CHESSHER v. CHESSHER—EADROP AND CREANE CO-RESPONDENTS.

Leon Alfred Chesshar sought for a divorce from his wife, Catherine Chesshar (formerly M'Vicker) on the ground of adultery with John Eadrop and William Creane, who were joined as co-respondents. Respondent raised the issues of negligence, conducing to the adultery if any, and of desertion. Mr. P. K. White, instructed by Mr. J. W. Abigail, appeared for the petitioner; Mr. Curran, instructed by Mr. E. R. Abigail, for respondent; Mr. Windeyer, instructed by Messrs. Stephen, Jaques, and Stephen, for the co-respondent Eadrop; the co-respondent Creane did not appear. The parties were married at Sydney on May 1900, according to the rites of the Independent Presbyterian Church. The evidence for the petitioner, who is now a hotel waiter, had not been concluded when the hearing was adjourned till Friday.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

(Before the Registrar, Mr. Arthur Henry.)

CERTIFICATE APPLICATION.

Re Philip John James. The Registrar said, "I require to know particulars of his 'dealing,' also when offer made for house and by whom; also circumstances of transfer of land to M'Nulty, when he must have known he was insolvent." Adjourned to July 7.

SINGLE MEETINGS AND PUBLIC EXAMINATIONS.

Re John Patrick Ryan. Examination of bankrupt continued; no resolution moved; meeting closed. Public examination declared concluded.

Re William Henry Filmore Eaton. Meeting closed. Public examination declared concluded.

EXAMINATION UNDER SECTION 30.

Re Armand Jerome. Adjourned to 7th instant.

CREDITOR'S PETITION.

The Australian Brewery and Wine and Spirit Company, Limited, of Bourke-street, Waterloo, v. D. E. Kirkby, of Moree. Petition to be heard on July 13.

COURT OF MARINE INQUIRY.

(Before the President, Judge Backhouse, and Captain Boldehuid and Captain M'Gibbon, assessors.)

BEACHING A SCHOONER.

This was an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the beaching of the schooner Elliston at North Kongoro Head on June 1. The Elliston belonged to A. E. Ellis, sawmill proprietor. She encountered bad weather while on a voyage from Bellinger Heads to Sydney with timber, and on the morning of June 1 at daybreak land was sighted four or five miles away. The deck cargo was jettisoned, and to save the vessel she was beached on Koragoro Head.

Mr. Broomfield, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, appeared for the Superintendent of Navigation. He said that practically the only question for the Court to decide was whether the master kept in too close to the shore.

The master, Sydney Walpole Muir, having given evidence, the Court found that the master was in no way to blame for the mishap, but on the contrary he deserved commendation for the good seamanship he showed, which resulted in the lives of all hands being saved and the vessel not being entirely lost.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Friday, July 3.

Banco Court (No. 1 Jury Court).—Lee Leong v. Hoe (part heard); Hough v. Whitty. Notice.—The jurors in attendance at the Banco Court, except those engaged in the above part-heard case, will not be required to attend until 12 noon. The jurors engaged in the above part-heard case are requested to attend at 10 a.m.

No. 2 Jury Court (King-street).—Cowling v. Railway Commissioners (part heard).

In Vice-Admiralty.—Before the Deputy Judge Commissary (No. 1 Jury Court).—Brown and others v. the Ship Norma (part heard).

Before the Prothonotary.—In re gent., one, &c., ex parte Quast, 11; the Minister v. Muhlenbeck and another, 12; in re gent., one, &c., ex parte Bay, 2.15.

Before the Chief Clerk.—Mann v. National Cash Register Company, 10.30; Bonazzins v. Playfair, 11; Carr v. Carr, 11.15.

Chamber List.—At 9.30 a.m.: In re Clancy and the Employers' Liability Act; Wadey v. Mort's Dock and Engineering Company, Limited.

In Divorce.—Before the Judge in Divorce.—At 10 Chevsher v. Chesher, Eadrop and Creane co-respondent (part heard).

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: Motions generally—Ryan v. Von Bazil, for judgment; Clay v. Clay, motion for injunction; O'Rourke v. Perry, at 11, and Mary Dillon, to certify to the next of kin. Before the Deputy Registrar.—To pass accounts: Richard Sneddon, 10; Joseph Francis M'Shane, 10.15; Bernard Sullivan, 10.30; James Mackay Gray, 10.45; John Sedden, 11; Robert Nelson, 11.45; Robert Rice

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Thursday Evening.

To-day business in the Stock and Share market was quiet and the position generally steady. An extra ¼ was, however, paid for New South Wales 4 per cent. Funded Stock. Treasury bills were inquired for at 98⅝. For Bank of New South Wales 43¾ was paid. Bank deposits and steam, insurance, and gaslight shares were all quoted as before, no business transpiring. Tooth's Brewery had seller at 32s 6d. In the miscellaneous securities Colonial Sugar were dealt in at 38¾—the last quotation. Slight alterations in the list of other stocks were without significance.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange to-day the following sales were reported:—Forenoon: New South Wales 4 per cent. Funded Stock (1892), 103¾. Noon: Nil. Later: New South Wales 4 per cent. Funded Stock (1892), 103¾; Colonial Sugar, 38⅛. Afternoon: Bank of New South Wales, 43¾; Australian Mutual Fire Insurance, 30s. The closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Last Sale.	Buyers.	Sellers.	Yield to buyers.
	£	£	£	p.c.				£ s. d.
B. STOCK &c.								
B.S.W. F. S., 1892	549,350	...	...	4	102½	102½	103	3 17 6
Do. Act. 1873, 1893	350,189	...	...	4	103	104	...	3 17 6
Do. 1912	...	...	...	4	103	104	...	3 17 6
Do. 1912	...	...	...	4	103	104	...	3 17 6
Do. Act., 1905	...	...	...	4	102½	103	103	3 17 6
Do. F.S., 1927	...	...	...	3	91½	...	...	3 5 0
Do. T. Bills, 1903	1,000,000	...	...	3½	98	98	...	3 11 4
Do. T. Bills, 1906	...	...	...	...	...	98½	98¾	... 4
Do. Deb. 1907	999,500	...	...	4	101	...	...	3 19 0
Q.D., 1913	...	...	...	4	101	...	...	3 19 0
Q.D., 1925	...	...	...	4	101	...	...	3 19 0
N.Z. D., 1913	300,000	...	...	4	101	...	...	3 19 0
Debs., 1914	...	...	...	4	102	...	...	3 18 0
Col. Sugar— D., 1914	...	...	...	...	107	105	...	...
City Syd. Deb.	...	...	...	...	101	101	...	...
Debs. 1926	...	...	...	...	101	101	...	...
Australn. Gas Debentures	...	...	...	...	102½	100½	...	...
West. Aust. 4 per c. issue	...	...	...	...	...	100	102	...
BANKS.								
Aust. J.S.	1,168,041	20	7½	...	...	41	...	3 13 0
Australasia	1,000,000	40	40	11	80½	85	...	3 13 0
City	240,000	20	8	4	25	26	...	3 16 0
New Zealand	150,000	10	4	4	17½	19	...	3 3 0
Com'l of Aust.	1,200,000	40	10	3	37	38	...	3 3 0
Ditto pref.	3,117,620	20	10	3	37	37½	...	3 3 0
Comm. of Syd.	1,000,000	20	12	10	272	275	...	3 12 0
E. of Aus.	1,192,440	40	10	3	36	...	...	3 3 0
Comm'l.	305,786	10	10	8	...	102	...	3 5 0
N.S. W.	2,000,000	20	20	10	270	272	...	3 13 0
New Zealand	1,737,310	62	21	8	147	152	153	3 5 0
St. Q'sland	100,000	5	2	8	135	...	...	3 14 0
Union	1,250,000	12	25	8	39	39	...	3 0 0
DEPOSITS.								
A.J.S. Bk. — Class A	...	...	...	3	15 6	14 6	15 0	4 3 0
Class B	...	...	...	3	11 10	11 3	11 9	5 5 0
Ditto Inscr.	788,628	...	...	3	9	8 6	...	7 1 0
Com. of Aus. — A acct.	965,485	...	...	3	13	12	...	5 0 0
Ditto assets.	3,400,000	...	...	3	13 9	13	...	4 12 0
E.S.A. Inscr. pref.	889,410	...	...	3	11 3	11 3	...	5 5 0
Ditto def.	898,908	...	...	4	16 6	16	...	5 0 0
Ditto Deb.	988,547	...	...	4	19	18½	...	4 4 0
Ditto Inscr.	99,112	...	...	3	11	10	...	6 0 0
Q. National	...	...	...	3	11 3	11	11 3	7 1 0
STEAM.								
Balmain N. Ferry	18,400	1	1	10	20	23 6	26	...
Illawarra	58,000	2	2	8	50	54	...	...
Manly Ferry	100,000	1	1	6	19½	...	...	...
5th Coast	131,230	1	1	8	18	18	18 4	...
Sydn'y Ferries	120,000	1	1	8	30 6	28 6	...	...
Tramway	...	...	1	3	3 6	...	...	...
P. Jackson	25,000	25	25	3	25	24 6	29 6	...
Ditto, Co-op.	8,748	...	1	2	17	14	...	...
Ditto, Mutl. ordinary	178,186	1	20	10	...	...	...	...
Ditto ord.	19,708	1	5	10	...	...	...	...
Ditto pref.	119,761	1	20	5	...	...	...	...
Ditto Pref.	19,239	1	5	5	...	...	...	...
INSURANCE.								
A. M. Fire	80,000	1	10	10	36 6	36 6	41	...
Mer. Mut.	80,000	1	4	10	15 6	15 6	...	...
N. Zealand	200,000	10	2	10	30	30	...	...
S. Q'land	50,000	1	10	8	13	12 6	...	...
Ditto	3,500	1	5	...	...	...	...	...
Union	60,000	5	2	20	82	82 6	...	...
Ditto new	5,725	10	2	10	...	...	...	...
GAS.								
Adelaide	7,500	1	12	10	30 3	31	...	...
Australian	887,798	6	6	...	17 10	17½	18	...
Ch. Towers	20,000	10	10	...	10	...	...	...
Goulburn	50,000	1	1	8	27 6	25 6	27 6	...
Grafton	8,000	1	1	7	27 6	...	...	...
M'dnd Gas	15,000	5	5	8	10	...	...	...
Manly	10,000	1	1	8	20	...	...	...
Ditto New	5,000	1	10	7	12 6	...	...	...
Maitland	8,000	1	1	8	18	18	21	...
Newcastle	25,128	1	1	8	5	5	6	...
Ditto	...	80	...	...	78 6	...	...	...
North Shore	100,000	1	1	8	35	35 6	...	...
Ditto New	...	...	...	...	30	30	...	...
S. Brisbane	35,000	10	10	6	12 11	11	...	...
Ditto	17,500	...	7½	...	9	8	...	...
BREWERIES.								
Albury	10,850	1	10	5	5	5	7	...
Ditto	4,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Australian	48,000	10	10	8	8 6	5	4	...
C. and Wood Bros.	258,000	1	1	4	12 6	12	12 9	6 5 0
Marshall's	28,703	10	5	4	6	5	6	6 6 0
Perkins'	58,332	15	15	25	40	37	43	5 5 0
Toohey's	850,000	1	1	8	21 3	21	21 6	3 14 0
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	8	32 6	32	32 6	3 1 0
MISCELN'S.								
Aerated ...	17,500	15	10	5	3 6	3	3 6	6 13 4
Aus. News ...	40,000	1	1	8	7 6	...	8	...
B. H. Water Supply	188,500	1	1	10	19	17 6	19 6	11 1 0
Burns, Philp	275,000	1	1	8	31 6	31	...	...
New Trans	51	1	1	5	8 3	8	10	5
Col. Sugar ...	1,872,920	20	15	8	38½	38¼	38¾	3 18 0
Dalgety & Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	47 10	47	47 6	4 5 0
Dunlop P. Tyre	...	...	...	...	...	11	16	...
Emu B. Estate	100,000	1	1	...	3 6	...	...	...
Inect Gravel	84,000	1	10	...	...	4	9	...
Federal Coke	12,870	20	20	...	...	7	11	...
To Fed. Coke	17,000	20	20	...	...	...	...	...
Hoffmann & Co. pref.	150,000	1	1	5	...	...	...	...
Mell Co.	70,000	1	1	5	14 6	13 9	14 6	4 17 0
Mel. Trams.	80,000	1	1	10	16 10	16 9	17	...
Mt. de Pirie	74,141	1	1	8	3	2 6	3 6	...
Mort's Dk.	150,000	1	1	10	18	17 6	18 6	...
Mt. Morgan	48,703	1	1	8	18 6	18	18 6	...
P. Food Inc.	165,114	1	1	10	3	2 9	3 6	...
Shale and Oil.	60,000	1	10	6	...	14	...	...
Tooth & Co.	...	1	1	10	18 9	21	...	...
Prm. Trust	25,000	1	2	10	2 6	2 6	3 6	...
Perp. Trus.	25,000	10	5	10	9 9	10	...	...
Richardson & Wrench	60,000	1	1	5	8	10	11 3	9
Rfr. Trust	100,000	1	1	10	50	50	55	...
Syd. Exch.	30,000	1	1	10	6	7	8	...
Syd. Hyd.	25,000	1	1	10	27	32 6	33 6	6
Syd. Hyd. & G. E.	25,000	10	10	10	15	...	...	...
Vol. Land Ord.	87,500	5	10	10	17	16	16 9	6
Hall's Mere. Agency	12,000	1	1	10	20 6	20	21	9
A. Mut. coupe	5,000	10	...	...	...	...	...	...
LAND & BD.								
A. Mut. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	41	87	6
Excels. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	98	...
Fed. B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...
Maynard. D.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Do. Shares	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ind. Prov.	47,500	10	10	6	...	...	...	...
Inter Prov.	33,958	1	15	7½	13	14 9	...	7
Sy. Fre. Land	...	...	...	...	5 9	...	...	...
Syd. & B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-year's rate.
† Nominal.

The shipments of gold from Sydney for the week ended June 27 amount to £21,270. Since January 1 the exports have been as follow, in comparison with the figures for the corresponding period of the last two years:—

For	1901.	1902.	1903.
London	£548,022	£650,000	£868,231
Continent of Europe	275	30	1,140
China	95,008	...	101,958
India	50,000	...	107,000
Polynesia	1,080	10,172	2,000
Calcutta	500,000	50,000	200,000
Australasia	27,959	10,000	225,865
San Francisco	100,000	...	...
Total	£1,317,978	£774,409	£1,781,673

An increase for the year of £989,270 is apparent in the exports. The imports, amounting to £1,009,023, fell short of the exports by £762,652. To May 31 the net imports of gold into New South Wales bonderwise aggregated £288,586; and the production, including the proceeds of ore smelted at Dapto and Newcastle, was £688,139, leaving £252,925 as the recorded increase of gold in this State in five months as the result of the movements mentioned subject to the border movements and production of the fortnight. From Australia the shipments aggregate about £8,280,000, an increase of about £2,836,000 on the aggregate for the corresponding period of last year, of which £3,798,000 was for India, and £1,660,000 for South Africa.

The British revenue for the first quarter of the fiscal year compares with that for the corresponding quarter of the previous year as follows:—

	April to June, 1902.	April to June, 1903.	
Customs	£7,353,000	£8,760,000	Inc. £816,000
Excise	7,430,000	7,929,787	Inc. 499,787
Stamps	2,120,000	2,260,000	Inc. 140,000
Other	15,621,000	15,740,626	Inc. 119,626
	£32,144,000	£34,419,313	£1,275,913

Notwithstanding the abandonment of the breadstuffs duties an increase in the revenue is shown. The value of the figures as an evidence of material conditions, however, is considerably lessened by the fact that in anticipation of extra duties in 1902 withdrawals from bond in March would tend to decrease the Customs return later that year, while the expectation of abatement of duties in March this year would tend rather to curtail Customs payments in March and increase them in April and May. The increase in the excise, however, would probably not be affected in the same way.

The recovery of Consols to 92⅞ is a movement that was reasonably to be expected when the last issue of the Transvaal stock became absorbed by permanent investors or the money market easier. Probably the process of absorption is in progress, and our cables advise a decline in the open money market rate to 2½ per cent.—a drop of ½ per cent.

The Australian Agricultural Company's dividend of 30s per share makes, with 25s per share paid on February, a total of 55s, as against 75s per share paid in the previous year.

The Customs collections for June amounted to £290,120, an increase on the corresponding month of last year of £34,907. The total revenue for the six months was £1,809,540.

A new shipyard trust was in contemplation in New York at the end of May. It was to be organised with a capital of 43,000,000dol.—one of the directors to be Charles M. Schwab. The capitalisation of the new company would consist of 12,000,000dol., 30-year first mortgage gold bonds, 18,000,000dol. 7 per cent. non-cumulative preferred stock, and 15,000,000dol. common stock. Holders of 10,000,000dol. 20-year bonds would receive 12,000,000dol. of the new bond issue on condition that they provided another 2,000,000dol. working capital, together with 1,500,000dol. new preferred stock, and 1,500,000dol. common stock. Holders of 14,500,000dol. sinking fund bonds would receive 14,500,000dol. new preferred stock, and 2,900,000dol. new common stock. Holders of 20,000,000dol. 6 per cent. preferred stock would receive 8,000,000dol. new common stock, and holders of 25,000,000dol. common stock would receive 2,500,000dol. new common stock.

In its annual special supplement recording the progress of life insurance in the United Kingdom, based on the Board of Trade returns, the following figures are quoted:—

	Annual Premiums.	Population.	Per head of Population
	£	£	£ s. d.
1883	14,143,000	35,026,000	408
1893	21,073,000	37,937,000	559
1903	32,989,000	41,546,000	772
Increase in 20 yrs.	17,998,000	6,903,000	369
Per cent.	127	18	91

These are very remarkable figures, hardly suggestive, it may be said, of that decay of British material prosperity which Mr. Chamberlain's policy might suggest. For an increase of 18 per cent. in population there has been an increase of 127 per cent. in premium revenue, and an increase of no less than 91 per cent. regarded from the point of view of the population per head. Endowment and industrial assurance are increasing relatively faster than whole term life policies. The figures of each class in 10 years represent increases as follows:—

Ordinary.	Amount of Assurance.	Increase. Amount.	P. C.
Whole term life	£460,865,241	£55,234,579	13·6
Endowment assurances	168,714,909	111,378,686	194·2
Miscellaneous ordinary	81,781,292	14,592,067	84·5
	£661,361,442	£181,165,712	37·7
Industrial			
Whole term life	£185,207,094	£67,604,814	57·4
Endowment assurances	3,416,380	2,410,980	241·9
Miscellaneous	18,923,679	14,770,726	355·8
	£207,547,153	£84,186,522	68·9

Bearing in mind that the increase in population in 10 years was 9·8 per cent., it will be seen that the amount of assurance in ordinary offices increased 37·7 per cent., and although the increase was mainly in the endowment assurances equalling no less than 194·2 per cent., the whole life term business advanced 13·6 per cent., or nearly half as fast again as the population. The proportionate improvement is even more marked in the industrial offices, for while the general increase of business was 68·9 per cent as against 37·7 per cent. in the ordinary life offices, the increase of whole term life offices was 57·4 per cent., and of endowment assurances 241·9 per cent. Thus the poorer people of the United Kingdom are even more largely than the richer taking advantage in increasing numbers of the life provision. The total number of ordinary policies was 1,959,466, for an average of £337 per policy, and of the industrial policies there were in force 21,216,506 for an average of £9 8s per policy. The 23,175,972 policies in force suggests that there is on the average one for every adult in the United Kingdom.

BREADSTUFFS.

A better tone prevailed in this market, this being most noticeable in regard to flour. Wheat was quiet at 4s 8d to 4s 9d for Argentine and 5s sd for Californian. Holders of Manitoba flour are endeavouring to secure £12 firm for parcels. The recent rise of about 4s per ton cabled from New York has given new heart to holders. Local flour was quoted at £12 to £12 5s and Washington at £10 10s, with a shade less for 100-ton parcels.

The Collector of Customs has furnished figures which enable us to compile the following statement of the net importation of breadstuffs this year up to June 27, as compared with the net importation during the corresponding period in 1902:—

	To date.	
	1902.	1903.
Imports—Wheat	£1,536	£496,259
Flour	29,881	379,563
Breadstuffs	£28,455	£1,220,619
Exports—Wheat	447,787	14,698
Flour	80,781	93,836
Breadstuffs	£334,013	£108,240
Net import breadstuffs	...	£1,122,379
Net export breadstuffs	£495,558	...

The net exportation of £495,558 worth of breadstuffs last year thus compares with a net importation of £1,122,379 worth this year.

IMPORT MARKET.

A fair distributing business was carried through, bulk trade being, however, by no means buoyant. There were but insignificant fluctuations in prices. No information of consequence was forthcoming from oversea cable news.

Tea.—Fifty chests of Ceylon broken pekoes sold at 8d to 9½d per lb.

Messrs. H. W. Carey and Co. submitted at their saleroom, under instructions from Messrs. Scott, Henderson, and Co., a catalogue covering 1432 packages Ceylon tea, which met with good support from the trade. The selling brokers report having quoted 1100 packages at prices generally showing a distinct advance on last month's values, especially good medium, fine, and finest grades. Biddings were animated throughout, but for the withdrawn lots scarcely no to the vendors' reserves. Pekoe fannings realised 7d to 8¼d, pekoe sou'chong 7½d to 9½d, pekoes and orange pekoes 7½d to 11½d, and broken pekoes and broken orange pekoes 7½d to 11½d per lb.

Sugar.—This market was quiet and unchanged.

Groceries.—Equal to 500 boxes of Lucasia candles were placed, 150 boxes of Bell's plait and 100 cases of ditto tin vestas, also 500 cases of Libby's potted meats, all at agents' prices.

Dried Fruits.—Currants were quiet at 4d, holders being fairly stocked up ex the Nera. There is, however, no surplus on spot. Sultanas were quiet at 6d to 6¼d, and dates were quoted at 2½d.

Metals.—Eighty tons of steel plates changed hands out of store at market rates. Tinplates were slow to move at 14s to 14s 1½d as nominal quotations for I.C. Cokes though parcels have been forced on the market of late by purchasers who had over-bought at as low as 13s 6d to 13s 9d. Parsons' met with no demand, but the usual companies, who were practically the only consumers, being quiet. The price was about 15s 6d. Wire ruled quiet, No. 8 black selling in small lots at £8 5s, and No. 10 at £8 10s. Barbed wire had but little inquiry, there being a little doing in No. 12 lows to arrive at £14. Galvanised wire was asked for at £10 and £10 5s for 8 and 10 to arrive. Pig iron ruled quiet at 77s 6d to 78s for No. 3 Middlesboro. There were no stocks in sellers' hands on spot, but most of the ironfounders are well provided for. Galvanised iron ruled quiet at about £17 5s and upwards for cheap brands and £18 to £18 5s for Orb. 150 casks of King's Windsor plaster sold, the quotation being 13s. Cement was quoted "at any price," 11s to 12s being the nominal quotations. Gaslight's whiting sold at 70s to land and tin colour at 6½ 6d. The American slate market showed firmer prices, but this market so far has not responded.

Jute Goods.—Various prices were quoted by cable from Calcutta for cornsacks. Evidently the market there is still in an unsettled state. On spot 4s 11½d was quoted, while for forward delivery holders' quotations varied from 5s 1d to 5s 2½d without bringing any particular business. Brandsge sold slowly indeed at 3s 6¼d. Woolpacks were not very active, 109 bales selling at 1s 10½d for 111lb., and 1s 11d for 120lb.

Oils.—American kerosene sold steadily in distributing lots at 9½d to 10d, and Borneo at 7½d for bulk, 8½d for tins, and 9d for cases. Linseed pil was slow to move, Blundell Spence's at 3s 6d and 3s 8d for raw and boiled, and about 2d less for other brands. Castor oil was quoted nominally at 5½ 6d. Chaa was slow at 2s 3d to 2s 4d. Champion's whitedeal remained at £28 5s for cwts., and £29 5s for quarters.

Chemicals.—Two tons of 95 per cent. cream of tartar changed hands to arrive ex Bielefeld at 102d. Tartaric acid was obtainable at 1s 1½d spot, some holders asking 1s 2d. Caustic soda was quoted on spot at £12 15s, that price being shaded to arrive. Bicarbonate of soda and soda ash were both quoted at £7 to land. Quicksilver remained quiet at 2s 7d, and cyanide of potassium at 9d per lb. G renin was to be had at £25 15s, and N grade at £9.

Messrs. Fraser, Uther, and Co. report having sold 123 cases of tinned meats w.a.f. ex Essex at 2d to 2d per lb. in bond.

The Customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £14,000. The principal items were—Sharebrokers, £9711; narcotics, £497; sugar, £21; agricultural products and groceries, £2108; apparel and textiles, £422; metals and machinery, £2369; oils, paints, and varnishes, £72; earthenware, cement, &c., £114; drugs and chemicals, £125; wood, wicker, and cane, £241; jewellery and fancy goods, £15; leather and rubber, £73; paper and stationery, £159; vehicles, £24; musical instruments, £66; bonded warehouses, £337; harbour and light dues, £39; tobacco, £31; excise on spirits, £570; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £1200; excise on beer, £127; license fees, £40.

EXPORT MARKET.

Trade with South Africa.—Mr. Valder, the Commercial Agent for New South Wales in South Africa, has advised the Hon. J. Kidd, Minister for Agriculture, that he has moved to Durban, Natal, with the whole of his samples. On his way he called upon the principal Government officials and leading merchants of Port Elizabeth and East London. He states that at both of these ports there has of late been a considerable increase of business in every direction, and there is still room for considerable development of trade in connection with our products. He also writes: "Besides this there is a good opening for our timber and coal at Port Elizabeth, and for timber at East London. Now that the Cape Government has decided to use our timber on a large scale, the merchants are very anxious to obtain agencies, and while at every port I visit I have numerous inquiries from the different timber merchants for information and samples."

He states that he is also stimulating an interest in New South Wales coal, as he feels certain that we shall be able to obtain a large share of the imported coal trade in Cape Colony. There is no reason why we should not send considerable quantities to some of the more northern ports. East London and Durban are well supplied by the local collieries, but some of the other ports are still importing. Mr. Valder hopes that every effort will be made by our merchants to tender at a low enough price to be successful in connection with the contracts for the supply of coal to the Cape Government railways for the coming year. Tenders will shortly be called for. He will cable to Sydney particulars and also post conditions, forms, &c.

Another extract from his letter says: "I arrived at Durban on April 29. With the addition of the samples recently sent over by the Depart.ment I have been able to put up a very attractive exhibit. Numbers of merchants and most of the principal authorities connected with the supply of stores to the Government railways, public works, &c., of Natal and the Transvaal have inspected the samples, and I believe considerable business will eventuate. At present business is dull throughout South Africa in most lines, but than a demand for some few of our products is still very brisk. One reason for the falling off in certain lines at the ports is that the Imperial authorities have lately been disposing of large quantities of stores in the Transvaal and Orange River colonies. These stores had accumulated during the war, and in order to clear them out they were sold at ridiculously low prices, and the market has been completely swamped. For instance one line of one well-known Australian jam was recently on offer in very large quantities at 2s 9d per 3lb. tin for like jam 4s 6d paid. As the duty is 2s 3d this leaves a price of 6d per dozen at Durban. Many other lines were sold at comparatively as low a figure. The stock, however, is fast disappearing, enormous quantities having been sold, and a considerable quantity condemned and destroyed. We may therefore expect the market will soon reach its normal condition."

Particulars of conditions of contract, forms, &c., advised by Mr. Valder per cable in connection with tenders called for coal and timber have not yet been received by the Department for distribution.

London Tallow Market.—At Wednesday's auctions of Australasian tallow at the Baltic Rooms the offerings were lighter, with moderate sales at reduced rates. Prices were as follow:—Fine mutton, 1s lower at 3½; medium mutton, 3d lower at 2⅝ 6d; fine beef, 3d lower at 3¼ 6d; medium beef, 9d lower at 2⅝ 6d. The following comparison shows recent auction business:—

	Offered. Casks.	Sold. Casks.	Mel. Mutton. Per cwt.	Mod. Beef. Per cwt.
April 8	1125	775	31s 6d	30s 6d
April 22	1200	870	30s 6d	30s 6d
April 29	925	375	30s 6d	30s 0d
May 6	1066	618	29s 6d	29s 6d
May 13	1335	1000	29s 6d	29s 6d
May 20	968	517	28s 6d	28s 6d
May 27	1108	699	28s 0d	28s 6d
June 10	1147	606	28s 3d	28s 6d
June 24	1465	907	28s 9d	29s 3d
July 1	982	441	29s 6d	28s 6d

Describing the London tallow market during May the "British Trade Review" says:—"The fluctuations in the tallow market have been insignificant, chiefly consisting of slight differences between the values of beef and mutton tallow as compared with one another, according to the shifting demand for each sort. Anxiously as consumers have looked for a break in this market, it cannot be said that there is at present any definite prospect of more moderate rates. The colonial supplies continue to be small, and although the position in Australia has undergone a radical change of late, so far as future supplies are concerned, a year or two must elapse before this begins to influence prices here. In Liverpool, where American tallow dominates the market, there has been some sign of dulness, if not of positive weakness, but whether this is indicative of a serious fall in values remains to be seen. In sympathy with tallow all kinds of grease maintain their position. The scarcity of Yorkshire brown grease does not seem likely to be relieved, and, indeed, cannot well cease until there is a larger supply of tallow in the market."

The following is a comparative statement of the prices ruling for the leading descriptions of tallow in London on May 31 of this year and the preceding years, together with the stocks held at those dates:—

	1899.	1900.	1901.	1902.	1903.
Price of town tallow	24s 6d	29s 3d	29s 9d	32s	30s 6d
Price of best tallow	25s	27s 9d	28s 6d	32s 6d	33s
Price of Australian	24s 6d	28s	27s	31s 6d	31s 6d
Ditto rough ditto	8s	9s 9d	8s 9d	11s 6d	11s
Stock	13,844	16,191	18,295	11,443	14,804
Antwerp Wool Sales	—Dalgety and Co., Limited, report the receipt of the following cables from their London house under date of 1st instant:—"At the Antwerp wool sales held this week prices for medium and inferior merino wools, as compared with average rates of the previous sales in that centre, were 5d per lb. dearer. Rates for good merinos and crossbreds were unchanged."				

Wool Receipts (Thursday).—By rail 24 bales, and coastwise 10 bales.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, July 1.

TALLOW SALES.

At the sales of Australasian tallow to-day 982 casks were offered and 441 sold. Prices were:—Mutton, fine 30s per cwt., medium 28s 6d; beef, fine 31s 6d, medium 28s 6d.

METALS.

Closing quotations are:—

Copper.—Spot, 57½; three months, 57⅝.

Copper statistics are:—Supplies, 18,832 tons; deliveries, 19,143; stock, 15,303; advised, 3525.

Tin statistics are:—Stock, 16,070 tons; spot, 2305; afloat, 4477; deliveries, 2629.

TALLOW STATISTICS.

Tallow statistics are:—Stocks, 13,109 casks; imports, 5849; deliveries, 5843.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The demand for wheat continues very slack. At the same time there is no quantity to be obtained, and values are nominal at 5s 6d. Flour, £12; breaking brands of bran quoted at 5s 1d; pollard, 5s 3d to 5s 6d. Cable advises report a further advance of 2s in cream of tartar and 1d in tartaric acid. There is some inquiry for hams for export, likewise for currants. The stocks of pickled eggs are practically exhausted.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

On the Stock Exchange to-day Queensland National Bank Deposits were quoted at 11s 3d, and Queensland Trustees shares at 5s 6d, 5s 9d.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The stock sales to-day were:—Victoria 3 per cents stock, £93; Chillago debentures, £70; Commercial Bank, prel., 97s; National, prel., £11 2s; Melbourne Tram, 16s 8d and 15s 13d.

Wheat is firm. Blue stem at 5s 11d, Californian 5s 1d, Argentine 5s. Bran up to 11d, pollard 11d to 1s. Malting barley is quiet to 5s; medium sold at 3s 6d. Algerian oats are in better demand, with considerable sales at 2s 2d to 2s 5d; New Zealand stout, 2s 8d to 2s 9d; Danish, 2s 7d. Several hundred bags of maize sold for export. 2s as wheat and ex store, and 3s 1d f.o.b. Prime chaff is £4 15s to £5, medium up to £4; potatoes, £1 15s to £2 10s; onions, £2 10s to £2 12s 6d, extra prime £2 15s.

Business in tea covers 25 chests Ceylon at 6½d, 23 chests at 11d. Supplies of Mildura currants are out of first hands. Cream of tartar, 90deg., sold at 92d, but 104 is now the lowest for parcels. Ten tons of chlorate of potash sold. Between 200 and 300 bales of cornsacks sold at 5s on spot. Sellers quote 5s 3d for October-November shipment. Brandsgae are up to 3s 6d. Woolpacks are 1s 9½d to 1s 10d. Ten tons of spelter in wire sold at £8 15s. 500 casks of English cement sold. A fair parcel of B. S. and Co.'s linseed oil sold; 10 tons of Champion's white lead sold.

PRODUCE INWARD.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

The Kakapo, which replaces the Wukatipu, left for Sydney this morning with a cargo of 23 cages of sheep, 714 loose sheep, 3770 bags of chaff, 1800 bags of potatoes, 588 bales of straw, 735 bundles of bark, 190 bags of sharps, 42 bags of oats, 97 bags of oatmeal, 130 bags of bran, 23 crates of turnips, 77 crates of carrots, 216 cases of fruit. The quotations for potatoes are 42s 6d, 44s; chaff, 87s 6d, 90s; turnips, 20s; oats, 2s 4d, 2s 5d.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The steamer Tyrian sailed to-day for Sydney, Cargo: 440 bags onions, 736 bags sugar, 576 bales hay, 682 bags and 139 bales chaff, 693 cases fruit, 33 packages vegetables, 503 bags maize, 70 bags barley and flour, 429 bags potatoes, 10 bags peas, 50 cases hops, 515 bags 60 halves 120 quarters flour, 140 bags rice.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Thursday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

The markets were again uniformly quiet in tone, no particular item displaying any notable degree of buoyancy. Stocks on hand, though not particularly heavy, proved ample for all requirements. Operations were on a restricted scale, the majority of buyers being content to operate on the immediate consumption basis. The inland inquiry for produce was on a very limited scale. As far as prices were concerned, movements were few and of little moment. Despite the small stocks on hand the market for maize remained quiet, sales being steady up to 3s 6d for choicest samples. Oats were dull of sale, and prices if anything a trifle weaker in sympathy with the New Zealand market. Chickwheat, barley, and peas were more or less neglected at late values. Both bran and pollard moved off steadily at unchanged values. The market for chaff was well supplied with medium and off grades, choice samples being rather scarce. Prime chaff had fairly good sale, while other makes had a little attention at late prices. An improved sale was noted for lucerne hay, the market having a good tone owing to the small supplies received coastwise and by rail during the last couple of days. Only three truckloads arrived by rail; 149 bales coming forward by steamer from the Hunter River. Straw was dearer, sales of prime Tasmanian being noted at £3 to £3 5s. Oaten hay had a moderate amount of attention at yesterday's reduced rates. A fair turnover was noted in Tasmanian potatoes up to £2 15s for prime table sorts. Tubers suitable for seed made £3 s ton. Onions were quiet, and the same may be said of turnips. In dairy produce a fair amount of business was done at about late ruling rates. Northern case eggs were a shade firmer, sales being made at 1s 7d a dozen.

Wholesale quotations were:—

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Bacon and Hams.—Quiet demand. Hand-cured, best, 7½d to 8d; fancy brands 8½d; flitches, 7½d to 8d; middles, 10d to 10½d; York Castle mild-cured brands, sides 9d, flitches 9d, middles 11d;

FUNERALS.

SMITH.—The Friends of the late Mr. JAMES SMITH, for many years resident of George-street North, are kindly invited to attend his Funeral THIS (Friday) MORNING, to leave his late residence, 417 Miller-street, North Sydney, St. Leonards, at 8 o'clock precisely, for the Waverley Cemetery.
T. DIXON, Undertaker,
29 Oxford-street, and 304 George-street West.

MADDEN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ANDREW MADDEN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved DAUGHTER, Mary Ellen Bennett; to move from the Town Hall Hotel, Paddington, THIS FRIDAY, at 9 a.m., for the Waverley Cemetery.
MRS. F. KIRBY and SON,
Undertakers,
Tel., 875. 7 Elizabeth-st., and 113 Miller-st., N.S.

BEAUMONT.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. JOSHUA BEAUMONT are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved WIFE, to leave 120 Bondi-road, Bondi, THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 9 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.
W. CARTER, Undertaker,
Waverley.

ROBERTSON.—The Funeral of the late Mr. JAMES JOHN ROBERTSON will leave his late residence, Calvert, Arthur-street, Croydon, THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 10 o'clock, for St. Thomas' Church of England Cemetery, Enfield.
WOOD and COMPANY, Tel., 726.

MICHAEL.—The Friends of the late HENRY ALFRED MICHAEL are informed that his Funeral will move from his residence, Warren, Norfolk-road, Epping, THIS DAY, Friday, at 11.45 a.m., for St. Alban's Church, thence 1.15 p.m. train, leaving Redfern Railway Station at 2 p.m. for Waverley Cemetery.

MICHAEL.—The Friends of JOHN G. and DAVID MOON are informed that the Funeral of their late BROTHER-IN-LAW, Henry Alfred Michael, of Epping, will leave the Redfern Railway THIS DAY, Friday, at 2 p.m., for the Waverley Cemetery.

MICHAEL.—MASONIC.—The Members of ZETLAND LODGE OF AUSTRALIA, No. 8, are informed that the Funeral of our late Brother, HENRY ALFRED MICHAEL, of Epping, will leave Redfern Railway Stn. THIS DAY, Friday, at 2 p.m., for the Waverley Cemetery. No Regalia.
A. M. HOBART, W.M. CHARLES STEWART, Sec.

ALCHOMEDEN LODGE, No. 6, A.F. & A.M., AUSTRALASIA.—Officers and Members of the above Lodge are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of our late beloved BROTHER, H. A. Michael; to move from No. 1 Platform, Redfern station, THIS DAY, Friday, at 2 p.m., and thence to Waverley Cemetery.
H. G. GRENFELL, W.M.
J. GRENFELL, Sec.

EVANS.—The Friends of Mr. HENRY EVANS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late dearly beloved WIFE, Emma; to move from his residence, 16 Cowper-street, Randwick, THIS DAY, Friday, at 4.15 p.m., to Waverley Cemetery.
CHAS. KING, Funeral Director,
Queen's Cross,
Tel., 33 Elsmore. Darlinghurst.

LE MARCHANT.—The Friends of Mrs. CHARLES LE MARCHANT are respectfully informed that the Funeral of the late beloved HUSBAND will leave 58 Dupplerstreet, Marrickville, THIS AFTERNOON, at 3.30, for the Necropolis, via Newtown station.
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